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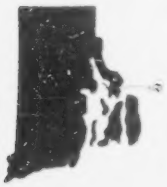

EMPLOYMENT BULLETIN

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 2,700 IN SEPTEMBER TO 420,500

Overall establishment employment in Rhode Island rose by 2,700 jobs in September, primarily due to seasonal gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector along with additional hiring in some Manufacturing industries, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 420,500 in September. This figure represents a gain of 2,700 jobs from the August level and is 2,300 above the September 1984 total of 418,200.

MANUFACTURING

Total manufacturing employment in Rhode Island increased by 700 from August to September. Nevertheless, the current figure of 120,200 is 2,200 less than the year ago level of 122,400. In the Durable Goods category, the September employment total of 81,800 was up 600 from the prior month, but was 1,700 below the figure reported a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods producing industries increased 100 in the August-September period to a level of 38,400, but was down 500 compared to the September 1984 total.

Within the Durable Goods category, the most substantial monthly gains were registered in Jewelry-Silverware and Miscellaneous Manufacturing (+300 each). An upturn of 200 in Transportation Equipment was offset by a decrease of 200 in Electrical Machinery. The remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged from their August employment levels. Compared to a year ago, the only employment increase in the Durable Goods category was reported

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EMPLOYERS! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Department of Employment Security is making a special plea to Rhode Island employers to assist us in speeding up the process for determining eligibility for both Unemployment Insurance benefits and Temporary Disability benefits. When a worker files a claim for either Unemployment Insurance or TDI, a next-step is to request wage and termination information from the employer(s). This is done by means of a simple form — DES-465, "Employee Wage & Termination Report" or TDI-4-A, 4-B, "Employee Wage & Employment Report."

You, as an employer, can eliminate unnecessary phone calls and follow-up correspondence by returning the form to this Department promptly, thus saving time and money and avoiding the need for second and third requests. By doing so, you are complying with Rhode Island law and you are being fair and considerate to your employees who have applied for benefits.

Further, by returning the form to us within five days, you are protecting your appeal rights regarding any Department decision on the payment of benefits. A delay in returning the information may also result in the imposition of penalties.

As always, your cooperation and help in this vital matter is appreciated.

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AN IMPORTANT REMINDER TO EMPLOYERS

Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance reports of employment wages and taxes for the quarter ending September 30, 1985, must be filed by October 31, 1985, with the Department of Employment Security, 24 Mason Street, Providence, R.I. Failure to make these reports and to pay required taxes by the due date will make employers liable to penalties and additional interest charges. "No payroll" reports must be submitted in those cases where no wages were paid during the quarter covered by the report.

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RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE OFFICES

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1985-P	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984
Total Placements	2,255	3,057	2,378
New Applications	3,045	3,959	4,029
New Openings Rec'd.	2,980	5,415	3,958

P-Preliminary

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	% Change Aug. 1985
Initial Claims	6,304	6,382	1.2
No. of Payments	41,850	51,090	18.1
Amt. of Payments	$4,758,986	$5,775,591	17.6
Exhaustions	727	877	17.1

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION

Statistics for the Federal Supplemental Compensation Program, the cost of which is entirely Federally financed, are presented below:

	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985
Initial Claims	1	0
No. of Payments	489	593
Amount of Payments	$ 13,359	$ 14,743

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	508.8	508.2	492.1
Unemployment	19.7	21.1	20.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.9	4.2	4.1
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.4	4.1	4.7

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	337.3	333.5	329.9
Unemployment	13.5	18.1	14.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	5.4	4.5

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	138.8	139.1	136.5
Unemployment	8.0	10.6	8.1
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.8	7.6	5.9

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	44,285	44,100	41,360
Unemployment	1,075	1,210	1,140
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.4	2.7	2.8

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
AUGUST 19-23, 1985

	Number	Percent
Sex and Age		
Total	13,804	100.0
Men	5,800	42.0
Under 45	3,985	68.7
45 and over	1,815	31.3
Women	8,004	58.0
Under 45	4,545	56.8
45 and over	3,459	43.2
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	661	4.8
Manufacturing	6,631	48.0
Public Utilities	814	5.9
Wholesale and Retail	1,476	10.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	407	3.0
Service	2,544	18.4
All Other	1,271	9.2
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,899	13.8
Clerical and Sales	2,510	18.2
Service	1,543	11.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	102	0.7
Processing	525	3.8
Machine Trades	1,780	12.9
Bench Work	1,866	13.5
Structural Work	1,255	9.1
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INA	696	5.0

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	420.5	417.8	418.2	+ 2,700	+ 2,300
MANUFACTURING	120.2	119.5	122.4	+ 700	- 2,200
NONMANUFACTURING	300.3	298.3	295.8	+ 2,000	+ 4,500
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	14.2	14.4	13.4	- 200	+ 800
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.1	14.0**	14.1	+ 100	-
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	92.2	91.7	89.8	+ 500	+ 2,400
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	24.1	24.0	22.9	+ 100	- 1,200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	99.1	98.8	98.5	+ 300	+ 600
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.6**	55.4	57.1**	+ 1,200	- 500

1985 Figures are PRELIMINARY. 1984 Figures are REVISED. Estimates are for Pay Period which includes the 12th of the month.

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** Labor Dispute

ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION – WORKER AVERAGES			
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours	Hourly Earnings
INDUSTRY GROUP	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984	Sept. 1985	Sept. 1984	Sept. 1985 / Sept. 1984	Sept. 1985 / Sept. 1984
ALL MANUFACTURING	120.2	119.5	122.4	+700	-2200	$305.92	$297.02	40.2 / 40.8	$ 7.61 / $ 7.28
DURABLE GOODS	81.8	81.2	83.5	+600	-1700	305.20	294.52	40.0 / 40.4	7.63 / 7.29
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	2.9	3.2	0	-300	332.92	292.40	41.0 / 40.0	8.12 / 7.31
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.8	1.8	1.9	0	-100	382.70	385.22	40.8 / 42.1	9.38 / 9.15
PRIMARY METALS	6.0*	6.0*	6.1	0	-100	371.78	365.94	42.2 / 42.7	8.81 / 8.57
FABRICATED METALS	9.3	9.3	9.3	0	0	275.95	265.12	40.7 / 40.6	6.78 / 6.53
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.1*	6.1*	6.3*	0	-200	414.20	408.71	43.6 / 43.9	9.50 / 9.31
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.9	12.1	12.7	-200	-800	278.44	274.19	38.3 / 40.5	7.27 / 6.77
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	10.0	9.8	10.1	+200	-100	417.56	393.74	40.5 / 41.1	10.31 / 9.58
INSTRUMENTS	5.0	5.0	5.0	0	0	312.38	298.99	42.5 / 41.7	7.35 / 7.17
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.3	23.0	23.7	+300	-400	244.45	219.27	39.3 / 38.2	6.22 / 5.74
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.5	5.2	5.2	+300	+300	232.54	225.69	34.4 / 34.3	6.76 / 6.58
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.4	38.3	38.9	+100	-500	309.67	298.66	40.8 / 40.8	7.59 / 7.32
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.4	3.3	3.5	+100	-100	252.75	247.90	37.5 / 37.0	6.74 / 6.70
TEXTILES	10.9	11.0	11.1	-100	-200	311.88	293.53	41.2 / 40.1	7.57 / 7.32
APPAREL	3.4	3.4	3.6	0	-200	264.62	246.37	40.9 / 41.9	6.47 / 5.88
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0	269.73	270.66	40.5 / 40.7	6.66 / 6.65
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.1	6.1	6.0	0	+100	420.00	415.95	39.4 / 40.9	10.66 / 10.17
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.2*	3.2*	3.0	0	+200	402.75	385.04	40.6 / 39.9	9.92 / 9.65
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.4	1.4	1.5	0	-100	320.08	300.17	41.3 / 40.4	7.75 / 7.43
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.0	4.9	5.1	+100	-100	321.31	283.78	41.3 / 38.4	7.78 / 7.39
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.4	0	-100	211.07	217.48	38.8 / 40.2	5.44 / 5.41

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in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing sector (+300). For the twelve month period, notable job declines occurred in Electrical Machinery (-800), Jewelry-Silverware (-400) and Lumber/Furniture (-300). A decrease of 200 was evident in Nonelectrical Machinery, followed by annual downturns of 100 each in Stone-Clay-Glass, Primary Metals and Transportation Equipment. Employment in Fabricated Metals and Instruments was unchanged from the same month a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly advances of 100 each were posted in Food-Beverage and Plastics Products, while Textile jobs fell 100 from August. Employment levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change in the August-September period. On an annual comparison, employment gains were registered in Chemical Products (+200) and Printing-Publishing (+100). In contrast, annual declines of 200 each occurred in Textiles and Apparel followed by decreases of 100 each in Food-Beverage, Rubber Products, Plastics Products and Leather Products. Employment in Paper Products equalled its September 1984 total.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall establishment employment in Rhode Island's various nonmanufacturing categories rose by 2,000 from August to September, largely the result of seasonal hiring in Trade, Service and Government. The current total of 300,300 is also 4,500 jobs greater than the September 1984 level of 295,800.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Wholesale and Retail Trade at 92,200 and Service, at 99,100, posted monthly job gains of 500 and 300, respectively. Compared to a year ago, the former industry was up 2,400, while the latter advanced by 600. The monthly rise of 1,200 in total Government employment was primarily due to seasonal gains in state and local educational institutions; this increase was partly offset by the effects of two teacher strikes. At 56,600, this segment was 500 below the level recorded a year earlier, due largely to the labor disputes in progress this September. Payrolls in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate increased by 300 from the prior month to a level of 24,100, and were up 1,100 compared to September 1984. Transportation and Public Utilities jobs advanced 100 for the month rising to 14,100, but remained unchanged from a year ago. Employment in Contract Construction showed a monthly downturn of 200, although the September total of 14,200 represented an annual gain of 800 workers.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 6 cents to $7.61 in mid-September; this represents a gain of 33 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.3 of an hour in September to 40.2 hours, which was also 0.6 of an hour less than the September 1984 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in September amounted to $305.92, representing an increase of $4.67 from last month and $8.90 from September of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT TOTALS 422,000 IN OCTOBER

Additional hiring in both the Manufacturing and Nonmanufacturing sectors, as well as the settlement of labor disputes, increased the level of establishment employment in Rhode Island to a record high level of 422,000 in October, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment increased by 1,500 from September to October to the current total of 422,000. This figure also represents a gain of 2,700 from the October 1984 level of 419,300.

MANUFACTURING

Primarily due to gains in the Durable Goods category, total manufacturing employment rose 500 in the September-October period to a level of 120,700. However, the current total was down 1,800 compared to the year ago figure of 122,500. In the Durable Goods sector, the October employment total of 82,300 showed an increase of 500 jobs from the prior month, but reflected a drop of 1,000 from the level recorded in October 1984. The Nondurable Goods total of 38,400 jobs was unchanged from September, but fell 800 below the figure reported a year ago this month.

Within the Durable Goods sector, the largest monthly payroll increase was posted in Jewelry-Silverware (+500), followed by upturns of 100 each in Lumber/Furniture, Primary Metals (due to the settlement of a labor dispute) and Nonelectrical Machinery. These gains were offset somewhat by monthly employment decreases of 100 each in Fabricated Metals, Transportation Equipment and Instruments. The

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1986 TAXABLE WAGE BASE

In accordance with State law, the 1986 taxable wage bases for the Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance programs have been determined. John S. Renza, Employment Security Director, recently announced that the wage base on which Employment Security taxes will be paid during the 1986 tax year, which begins January 1, will be $11,000. The wage base for T.D.I. contributions will also be $11,000.

The 1986 taxable wage bases for the E.S. and T.D.I. programs are equal to 70 percent of the 1984 average annual wage earned by workers covered by the Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance acts respectively, rounded upward to the next even multiple of $200. The 1984 average annual wage for workers covered by the E.S. Act was $15,582; the average annual wage for workers covered by T.D.I. was $15,475.

It should also be noted that a revised Experience Rating Schedule I will become effective on January 1, 1986. Tax rates in this schedule range from 2.3 percent to 8.4 percent of an employer's taxable payroll. Employers will be notified of their individual unemployment insurance tax rates prior to next April 1.

The employee tax rate for Temporary Disability Insurance will be reduced to 1.1 percent of the new T.D.I. wage base, effective January 1, 1986.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Oct. 1985-P	Sept. 1985	Oct. 1984
Total Placements	1,977	2,112	1,751
New Applications	3,707	3,348	3,585
New Openings Rec'd.	2,898	3,195	3,190

P-Preliminary

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1985	% Change Sept-Oct 1985
Initial Claims	7,096	6,304	+ 12.6
No. of Payments	45,169	41,850	- 7.9
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,884,157	$4,758,986	+ 2.6
Exhaustions	719	727	- 1.1

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION

Statistics for the Federal Supplemental Compensation Program, the cost of which is entirely Federally-financed, are presented below.

	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1985
Initial Claims	1	1
No. of Payments	458	489
Amount of Payments	$ 9,466	$13,359

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1985	Oct. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	509.4	508.8	492.1
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Rate (Unadjusted)	3.8	3.9	4.2
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PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
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	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	338.6	337.3	330.7
Unemployment	12.6	13.5	13.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.7	4.0	4.1

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	139.1	138.8	135.5
Unemployment	7.7	8.0	7.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.5	5.8	5.5

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	43,505	44,285	40,840
Unemployment	1,050	1,075	1,090
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.4	2.4	2.7

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TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1985	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1985	Oct. 1984
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	422.0	420.5	419.3	+ 1,500	+ 2,700
MANUFACTURING	120.7	120.2	122.5	+ 500	- 1,800
NONMANUFACTURING	301.3	300.3	296.8	+ 1,000	+ 4,500
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	14.2	14.2	12.9	-	+ 1,300
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.2	14.1	14.2	+ 100	-
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	91.2	92.2	90.0	- 1,000	+ 1,200
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.9	24.1	23.1	- 200	+ 800
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	99.1	99.1	98.5	+ 500	+ 1,100
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.2	56.6**	58.1	+ 1,600	+ 100

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION – WORKER AVERAGES					
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From:		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
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ALL MANUFACTURING	120.7	120.2	122.5	+500	-1800	$ 310.23	$ 295.00	40.5	40.3	$7.66	$7.32
DURABLE GOODS	82.4	81.8	83.4	+500	-1000	311.04	299.80	40.5	40.9	7.68	7.33
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.0	2.9	3.1	+100	-100	344.45	311.01	41.4	42.2	8.32	7.37
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.8	1.8	2.0	0	-200	393.65	381.29	41.7	41.4	9.44	9.21
PRIMARY METALS	6.1	6.0*	6.1*	+100	0	364.97	360.38	41.1	42.1	8.88	8.56
FABRICATED METALS	9.2	9.1	9.4	100	-100	279.89	263.20	40.8	40.0	6.86	6.58
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.7*	6.6*	6.8*	+100	-100	413.08	409.47	43.3	43.7	9.54	9.37
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.6	11.9	11.4	0	+200	293.06	275.53	40.2	40.4	7.29	6.82
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.9	10.0	10.2	-100	-300	394.13	410.76	39.1	42.0	10.08	9.78
INSTRUMENTS	4.8	4.9	5.0	-100	-100	314.90	305.70	41.6	42.4	7.56	7.21
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.8	23.8	24.7	+000	-900	260.80	221.18	41.2	38.4	6.33	5.76
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.5	5.5	5.1	0	+400	232.49	223.67	34.7	34.2	6.70	6.54
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.4	38.4	39.2	0	-800	307.85	292.47	40.4	39.9	7.62	7.33
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.5	3.4	3.7	+100	-200	249.91	251.46	37.3	38.1	6.70	6.60
TEXTILES	10.8	10.9	11.2	-100	-400	317.60	292.99	41.9	39.7	7.58	7.38
APPAREL	3.3	3.4	3.6	0	-100	257.68	237.39	40.2	40.1	6.41	5.92
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.8*	0	-100	270.54	255.30	40.5	38.8	6.68	6.58
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.1	6.1	6.1	0	0	417.79	410.26	38.9	39.6	10.74	10.36
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.2	3.2*	3.0	0	+200	410.94	401.98	41.3	41.4	9.95	9.70
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.4	1.4	1.3	0	+100	326.82	296.16	41.9	39.1	7.80	7.46
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	6.0	6.0	6.2	0	-200	311.98	286.48	40.2	38.3	7.76	7.48
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	-200	215.53	209.82	39.7	39.0	5.43	5.38

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number of jobs in the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change for the September-October period. Compared to a year ago, the most notable employment increase in Durable Goods was recorded in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing sector (+400). Employment in Electrical Machinery rose by 200, while a gain of 100 was posted in Non-electrical Machinery. Contrary to this, the largest annual job decline was evident in Jewelry-Silverware (-900), followed by decreases in Transportation Equipment (-300) and Stone-Clay-Glass (-200). In addition, downturns of 100 each occurred in Lumber-Furniture, Fabricated Metals and Instruments. Employment in Primary Metals was unchanged from its year ago level.

In the Nondurable Goods producing industries, a monthly job increase of 100 in Food-Beverage was offset by a decrease of 100 in Textiles. The remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change from their September employment levels. On an annual comparison, payroll increases were registered in Chemical Products (+200) and Rubber Products (+100). Textile employment was down 400 from its year ago level, followed by decreases of 200 each in Food-Beverage, Plastics Products and Leather Products. A decline of 100 workers was reported in Apparel, while employment in Paper Products and Printing-Publishing showed no change for the 12-month period.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island Nonmanufacturing establishments rose by 1,000 from September to October, largely the result of continued seasonal gains in Service and the settlement of teacher strikes in the Government sector. The October total of 301,300 is also 4,500 jobs higher than the year earlier employment level of 296,800.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Service employment rose 500 for the month to 99,600 and was up 1,100 compared to a year ago. Total Government employment, at 58,200, showed a monthly increase of 1,600 largely due to the aforementioned strike settlements; the current figure represents an increase of 100 from the same month a year ago. Employment in Transportation and Public Utilities posted a monthly gain of 100 as it rose to 14,200, but was unchanged on an annual basis. Trade, at 91,200, reported a month's job decrease of 1,000 while Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 23,900, recorded a drop of 200 for the same time period. Nevertheless, the former was up 1,200 and the latter increased 800 compared to October 1984, although Contract Construction payrolls did not change from September to October, the current job total of 14,200 reflects an increase of 1,300 from the year earlier employment figure.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 5 cents to $7.66 in mid-October; this represents a gain of 34 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.3 of an hour in October to 40.5 hours, which was also 0.2 of an hour more than the October 1984 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in October amounted to $310.23, representing an increase of $4.31 from last month and $15.23 from October of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 422,400 IN NOVEMBER

s a result of continued gains in the Manufacturing sector, hode Island's overall establishment employment rose for he fourth consecutive month, reaching a new record high vel of 422,400 in November, reported John S. Renza, irector of the Rhode Island Department of Employment ecurity.

ccording to preliminary estimates prepared by the Depart- ent of Employment Security, in cooperation with the .S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, hode Island's current employment total represents an in- ease of 400 jobs from the October level and is 2,100 igher than the November 1984 figure of 420,300.

MANUFACTURING

otal Manufacturing employment increased by 300 jobs om October to November. Nevertheless, the current gure of 121,100 is 1,900 below the year ago level of 23,000. In the Durable Goods category, the November mployment total of 82,600 was up 300 compared to the revious month, but was 1,600 less than the figure reported year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods pro- ucing industries rose 100 in the October-November period o a level of 38,500, but was down 300 from the November 984 total.

Within the Durable Goods category, the most substantial nonthly job gain was recorded in Jewelry,Silverware (+300), followed by upturns in Fabricated Metals (+200) nd the Miscellaneous Manufacturing industry (+100). At the same time, employment in Transportation Equip- ent decreased by 200, while Nonelectrical Machinery jobs ere down 100, primarily the result of a labor dispute. he remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change rom last month. On an annual comparison, the largest

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SEASONS GREETINGS
AND A WORD OF THANKS
TO RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYERS

John S. Renza, Director, and the staff of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security take this opportunity to extend holiday greetings to the Rhode Island employer community and to all readers of the Employment Bulletin.

A special word of thanks is extended to those employers who assist the Department to determine trends in the State's economy by providing essential employment information each month. Such key indicators as employment levels, weekly production hours and worker earnings become the basis for both state and national reports and statistics prepared and published by this Department.

The Department of Employment Security will continue its efforts to publish accurate and timely data every month to assist users of the Employment Bulletin in reaching decisions and planning for future employment needs. To all, a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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BRISTOL COUNTY, 470 Metacom Ave.	245-9300
EAST PROVIDENCE, 877 Broadway	277-3546
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PAWTUCKET, 109 Main St.	722-7500
PROVIDENCE, 130 West Exchange St.	
Employer Services	277-3573
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NO. KINGSTOWN, 7734 Post Road	294-9923
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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Nov. 1985-P	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
Total Placements	1,760	1,727	1,720
New Applications	3,017	3,571	4,003
New Openings Rec'd.	2,168	2,980	2,469

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EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	% Change Oct. 1985
Initial Claims	7,915	7,096	+ 11.5
No. of Payments	38,653	45,169	- 14.4
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,406,964	$4,884,157	- 9.8
Exhaustions	754	719	+ 4.9

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION

Statistics for the Federal Supplemental Compensation Program, the cost of which is entirely Federally financed, are presented below:

	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985
Initial Claims	0	1
No. of Payments	350	458
Amount of Payments	$ 7,208	$ 9,466

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	508.8	509.4	494.7
Unemployment	20.3	19.2	23.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	3.8	4.8
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.7	4.5	5.7

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1985	Oct. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	340.9	338.6	330.2
Unemployment	12.4	12.6	13.4
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.6	3.7	4.1

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1985	Oct. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	138.5	139.1	136.9
Unemployment	6.8	7.7	6.8
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.9	5.5	5.0

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1985	Oct. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	42,555	43,505	40,240
Unemployment	1,225	1,050	1,220
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.9	2.4	3.0

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
NOVEMBER 18-22, 1985

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	10,404	100.0
Men	5,635	54.2
Under 45	4,211	74.7
45 and over	1,424	25.3
Women	4,769	45.8
Under 45	2,705	56.7
45 and over	2,064	43.3
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	784	7.5
Manufacturing	5,090	48.9
Public Utilities	288	2.8
Wholesale and Retail	1,744	16.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	240	2.3
Service	1,664	16.0
All Other	594	5.7
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,744	16.8
Clerical and Sales	1,761	16.9
Service	960	9.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	112	1.1
Processing	288	2.8
Machine Trades	1,568	15.1
Bench Work	1,376	13.2
Structural Work	1,216	11.7
Miscellaneous	1,040	10.0
INA	339	3.2

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	422.4	422.0	420.3	+ 400	+ 2,100
MANUFACTURING	121.1	120.7	123.0	+ 400	- 1,900
NONMANUFACTURING	301.3	301.3	297.3	-	+ 4,000
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	13.8	14.2	12.5	- 400	+ 1,300
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.1	14.2	14.0	- 100	- 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	91.8	91.2	90.6	+ 600	+ 1,200
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	24.0	23.9	23.3	+ 100	+ 700
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	91.4	92.0	88.3	- 200	+ 1,100
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	66.2	66.7	68.6	-	- 400

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* Farmers, Self-employed, Domestic and Armed Services personnel are excluded.
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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGES					
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984	Nov. 1985	Nov. 1984	Nov. 1985	Nov. 1984	Nov. 1985	Nov. 1984
ALL MANUFACTURING	121.1	120.7	123.0	+400	-1900	$ 315.34	$298.82	40.9	40.6	$ 7.71	$ 7.36
DURABLE GOODS	82.6	82.4	84.7	+200	-1600	314.61	302.09	40.7	41.1	7.73	7.35
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.0	3.0	2.9	0	+ 100	340.98	312.70	40.4	42.2	8.44	7.41
STONE/CLAY/GLASS	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	100	385.56	372.53	40.8	41.3	9.45	9.02
PRIMARY METALS	4.1	4.1	4.0	0	+ 100	379.01	354.83	42.3	41.5	8.96	8.55
FABRICATED METALS	9.4	9.2	9.4	+200	0	273.60	264.62	40.0	40.4	6.84	6.55
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.1*	6.2*	6.2*	100	100	421.67	411.45	44.2	44.1	9.54	9.33
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.9	11.9	12.7	0	800	295.00	285.34	40.3	41.9	7.32	6.81
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.9	10.2	200	500	421.06	429.27	40.8	42.4	10.32	10.03
INSTRUMENTS	4.9	4.9	5.0	0	100	314.49	320.01	42.1	44.2	7.47	7.24
JEWELRY/SILVERWARE	24.1	23.8	24.7	+300	600	251.69	225.04	40.4	38.6	6.23	5.83
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.6	5.5	5.2	+100	+ 400	226.12	229.74	33.8	34.6	6.69	6.64
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.5	38.3	38.8	+100	300	315.65	289.25	41.1	39.3	7.68	7.36
FOOD/BEVERAGE	3.6	3.6	3.9	0	400	246.68	251.25	36.6	38.3	6.74	6.56
TEXTILES	10.7	10.8	10.9	100	200	313.88	299.69	41.3	39.8	7.60	7.53
APPAREL	3.5	3.4	3.3	+100	+ 200	267.86	242.38	41.4	40.6	6.47	5.97
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.8	0	100	270.00	258.46	40.0	39.4	6.75	6.56
PRINTING/PUBLISHING	6.1	6.1	6.1	0	0	427.49	403.52	39.4	38.8	10.85	10.40
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.2	3.2	2.9	0	+ 300	425.43	407.26	42.5	41.6	10.01	9.79
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.4	1.4	1.3	0	+ 100	331.69	287.78	42.2	39.1	7.86	7.36
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.0	5.1	+100	0	315.55	293.67	40.3	39.0	7.83	7.53
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.5	0	200	220.30	208.12	40.2	38.9	5.48	5.35

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employment increase in the Durable Goods category occurred in Miscellaneous Manufacturing (+400). Also up from their year ago totals were Lumber/Furniture and Primary Metals (+100 each). In contrast, the most sizable annual job declines were reported in Electrical Machinery (-800), Jewelry-Silverware (-600) and Transportation Equipment (-500). In addition, downturns of 100 each were posted in Stone/Clay/Glass, Nonelectrical Machinery and Instruments. Employment in Fabricated Metals was unchanged from its year earlier level.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly advances of 100 each occurred in Apparel and Plastics Products, while Textile jobs fell 100 from the prior month. Employment levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change for the October-November period. Compared to a year ago, payroll increases were registered in Chemical Products (+300), Apparel (+200) and Rubber Products (+100). Jobs in the Food-Beverage industry were down 400 from November 1984, followed by decreases of 200 each in Textiles and Leather Products. A decline of 100 workers was evident in Paper Products, while employment in Printing-Publishing and Plastics Products remained at their year ago levels.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island Nonmanufacturing establishments showed no change from October to November as pre-holiday hiring in the trade sector was offset by seasonal downturns in Contract Construction and Service. However, the November Nonmanufacturing total of 301,300 is 4,000 jobs above the year earlier employment level of 297,300.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Wholesale and Retail Trade, at 91,800, recorded the largest monthly job gain (+600) primarily due to seasonal hiring; current Trade employment was also up 1,200 from the same month a year ago. Similarly, employment in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 24,000, posted a monthly increase of 100 and was 700 higher than the November 1984 figure. Total Government employment, at 58,200, was unchanged from the previous month, but was down 400 compared to a year ago. Contract Construction, at 13,800, and Service, at 99,400, showed monthly job decreases of 400 and 200, respectively. However, on an annual comparison, the former advanced 1,300 while the latter gained 1,100 jobs. Although Transportation and Public Utilities payrolls declined by 100 from October, the current job total of 14,100 is 100 above the year ago level.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers rose by 5 cents to $7.71 in mid-November; this represents a gain of 35 cents compared to a year ago. The average work week increased by 0.4 of an hour in November to 40.9 hours, which was also 0.3 of an hour more than the November 1984 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers amounted to $315.44 in November, an increase of $5.11 from last month and a gain of $16.52 from November of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT TOTALS 421,900 IN DECEMBER

Overall Rhode Island establishment employment decreased in December as a pre-holiday increase in Wholesale and Retail Trade was more than offset by seasonal declines in the Manufacturing and Construction sectors, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 421,900 in December. While this figure represents a drop of 500 from the November level of 422,400, it is still 3,500 higher than the December 1984 total of 418,400.

MANUFACTURING

Total Manufacturing employment in Rhode Island decreased by 1,400 from November to December. In addition, the current level of 119,700 is 1,000 less than the year ago figure of 120,700. In the Durable Goods category, the December employment total of 81,600 fell 1,000 from the prior month and was 300 below the figure reported a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods producing industries decreased 400 in the November-December period to a level of 38,100, and was down 700 compared to the December 1984 total.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job declines were recorded in Jewelry-Silverware and Miscellaneous Manufacturing (-500 each), and Lumber/Furniture (-100). The sole factory increase was posted in Instruments (+100), while the remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged from their November employment levels. On an annual basis, the most substantial job gain occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (+500), followed by advances of

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IMPORTANT REMINDER TO RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYERS

Now that 1986 has arrived, the Department of Employment Security reminds Rhode Island employers of an important change in the T.D.I. program that became effective on January 1 — as well as the wages bases on which you pay both T.D.I. and Employment Security taxes this year.

- You should now be deducting the Temporary Disability Insurance tax from each worker's paycheck at the rate of 1.1 percent of the first $11,000 in wages. That's a maximum deduction of $121.00 for each employee who will earn at least $11,000 this year.
- The wage base on which Employment Security taxes will be paid in 1986 is also $11,000 — the same as the T.D.I. wage base. You'll be notified of your individual tax rate prior to April 1.
- Employers should remind their employees that if they worked for two or more Rhode Island employers in 1985 and earned total wages in excess of $10,400, they could be entitled to a refund of a portion of their T.D.I. deduction. Contact any DES office or call 277-3688 for additional information.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984
Total Placements	1,302	1,610	1,388
New Applications	2,945	2,925	3,266
New Openings Rec'd.	1,657	2,359	1,893

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	% Change Nov.1985
Initial Claims	21,557	7,915	+ 172.4
No. of Payments	49,788	38,653	+ 28.8
Amt. of Payments	$ 6,139,215	$ 4,406,964	+ 39.3
Exhaustions	968	754	+ 28.4

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984
Initial Claims	2,816	3,062	2,874
No. of Payments	23,634	23,090	18,868
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,056,659	$ 2,942,453	$ 2,330,305

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	508.0	508.8	496.3
Unemployment	22.3	20.3	26.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.4	4.0	5.3
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.6	4.7	5.5

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	340.5	340.9	332.7
Unemployment	12.9	12.4	15.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.8	3.6	4.6

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	138.6	138.5	137.5
Unemployment	7.0	6.8	7.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.1	4.9	5.6

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	42,355	42,555	39,565
Unemployment	1,460	1,225	1,200
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.4	2.9	3.0

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
NOVEMBER 18-22, 1985

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	10,404	100.0
Men	5,635	54.2
Under 45	4,211	74.7
45 and over	1,424	25.3
Women	4,769	45.8
Under 45	2,705	56.7
45 and over	2,064	43.3
Industry Attachment		
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Manufacturing	5,090	48.9
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Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,744	16.8
Clerical and Sales	1,761	16.9
Service	960	9.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	112	1.1
Processing	288	2.8
Machine Trades	1,568	15.1
Bench Work	1,376	13.2
Structural Work	1,216	11.7
Miscellaneous	1,040	10.0
INA	339	3.2

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	421.9	422.4	418.4	- 500	+ 3,500
MANUFACTURING	119.7	121.1	120.7	- 1,400	- 1,000
NONMANUFACTURING	302.2	301.3	297.7	+ 900	+ 4,500
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	13.3	13.8	12.6	- 500	+ 700
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.0	14.1	13.8	- 100	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	93.1	91.8	91.3	+ 1,300	+ 1,800
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	24.0	24.0	23.7	-	+ 300
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	99.6	99.4	97.9**	+ 200	+ 1,700
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.2	58.2	58.4	-	- 200

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGES					
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1984	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1984	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1984
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.7	121.1	120.7	-1400	-1000	$317.05	$301.35	40.7	41.0	$7.79	$7.35
DURABLE GOODS	81.6	82.6	81.9	-1000	- 300	315.43	303.97	40.7	41.3	7.75	7.36
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	3.0	2.8	- 100	+ 100	349.29	299.[illegible]	40.9	40.2	8.54	7.45
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.8	1.8	1.9	0	- 100	395.08	371.18	41.5	40.7	9.52	9.12
PRIMARY METALS	6.1	6.1	6.1*	0	0	366.27	367.65	41.2	42.7	8.89	8.61
FABRICATED METALS	9.4	9.4	9.5	0	- 100	269.17	268.30	39.7	40.9	6.78	6.56
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.1*	6.1*	6.1*	0	0	434.04	425.54	44.7	44.7	9.71	9.52
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.9	11.9	12.4	0	- 500	291.20	283.40	40.0	41.8	7.28	6.78
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.7	10.1	0	- 400	430.32	436.22	41.1	42.6	10.47	10.24
INSTRUMENTS	5.0	4.9	4.9	+ 100	+ 100	314.81	308.00	42.6	42.6	7.39	7.23
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.6	24.1	23.1	- 500	+ 500	255.84	228.52	41.0	39.4	6.24	5.80
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.1	5.6	5.0	- 500	+ 100	221.44	230.46	33.2	34.5	6.67	6.68
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.1	38.5	38.8	- 400	- 700	319.55	291.20	40.5	40.0	7.89	7.28
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.5	3.5	3.7	0	- 200	248.62	240.38	37.9	37.5	6.56	6.41
TEXTILES	10.5	10.7	10.9	- 200	- 400	321.15	306.64	41.6	40.4	7.72	7.59
APPAREL	3.4	3.5	3.5	- 100	- 100	260.89	256.20	40.7	42.7	6.41	6.00
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.9	0	- 200	278.39	270.03	41.0	41.1	6.79	6.57
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.1	6.1	6.1	0	0	425.32	385.97	39.2	36.9	10.85	10.46
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.2	3.0	- 100	+ 100	414.24	416.75	41.8	42.7	9.91	9.76
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.4	1.4	1.3	0	+ 100	337.90	300.44	43.1	40.6	7.84	7.40
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	5.0	0	+ 100	309.25	299.07	39.8	39.3	7.77	7.61
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.4	0	- 100	220.64	213.15	39.4	39.4	5.60	5.41

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100 each in Lumber/Furniture, Instruments and Miscellaneous Manufacturing. For the twelve month period, notable job reductions were evident in Electrical Machinery (-500) and Transportation Equipment (-400). Also down from their year ago job levels were Stone-Clay-Glass and Fabricated Metals (-100 each). Employment in Primary Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery showed no change from December 1984.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, Textile payrolls dropped 200 from the previous month, while downturns of 100 each were registered in Apparel and Chemical Products. Employment levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries were unchanged from last month. Compared to a year ago, employment increases of 100 each were posted in Chemical Products, Rubber Products and Plastics Products. Conversely, annual job declines were reported in Textiles (-400), Food-Beverage, Paper Products (-200 each), Apparel, and Leather Products (-100 each). Printing-Publishing employment equalled its year earlier total.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments rose 900 from November to December, largely the result of continued seasonal hiring in Wholesale and Retail Trade. The December Nonmanufacturing total of 302,200 is also 4,500 jobs above the December 1984 level of 297,700.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Wholesale and Retail Trade continued to increase its holiday season employment, adding 1,300 more workers in the November-December period. At 93,100, this segment was up 1,800 from the same month a year ago. Overall employment in the various Service categories rose by 200 in December to 99,600, and was 1,700 above its year earlier level. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 24,000, and Government, at 58,200, remained unchanged from the previous month. Nevertheless, the former was up 300 and the latter was down 200 compared to December 1984. Although Contract Construction employment showed a monthly downturn of 500, the December total of 13,300 represents an annual gain of 700 workers. Transportation and Public Utilities payrolls, at 14,000, were down 100 for the month, but were 200 above the level recorded a year ago.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 8 cents to $7.79 in mid-December; this represents a gain of 44 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.2 of an hour to 40.7 hours, which was also 0.3 of an hour less than the December 1984 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in December amounted to $317.05, representing an increase of $1.71 from last month and $15.70 compared to December of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT DECLINES TO 420,700 IN JANUARY

Overall employment in Rhode Island fell in January, mainly as a result of sharp seasonal decreases in the Trade, Service, Construction, and Jewelry-Silverware sectors of the State's economy, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 420,700 in January. While this figure represents a loss of 10,700 jobs from the December level of 431,400, it is 2,500 above the January 1985 total of 418,200.

EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES REVISED

Published estimates for 1984 and 1985 have been revised to a first quarter 1985 benchmark. Current figures reflect data on new firms, expansion or contraction in existing firms not sampled, as well as noncovered establishments, and also reflect changes in assigned industrial coding caused by product or service changes occurring in 1984-1985.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Manufacturing jobs in Rhode Island declined by 2,000 in January to a level of 118,800. In addition, this figure represents a drop of 700 from the total of 119,500 reported in January 1985. In the Durable Goods category, the January employment total of 81,100 was down 1,700 from the December level and decreased 500 from the figure reported one year ago. The current Nondurable Goods employment of 37,700 was 300 below the December total and declined 200 from the year ago level.

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EMPLOYERS! RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE CAN HELP YOU

During 1985 the Rhode Island Job Service assisted many employers in filling their job openings. In the calendar year ending December 31, 1985 over 59% of all the job openings listed by employers with the Job Service were filled. A total of 20,119 job placements were made during that twelve-month period. Youth under age 22 accounted for over 46% of these placements and another 12% were veterans, including nearly eleven hundred Vietnam-era veterans.

The Job Service is also responsive to the needs of job applicants who experience barriers to employment. More than 640 of the total placements were handicapped job-seekers, another 16% were members of minority groups and 12% of all the individuals placed were 40 years of age or older.

The Job Service is an experienced public employment agency and its trained professional staff can help you fill the openings in your work force. The Job Bank is a computerized listing of job openings statewide. If you need workers call the Job Bank at 277-3588 (or toll-free Enterprise 2265). There is never a fee for using the R.I. Job Service. The Job Service operates a system of twelve local offices throughout Rhode Island. There's one near you. See the listing on page 2 of this Bulletin.

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NEWPORT COUNTY, 73 Valley Road
Middletown, ...847-3680
PAWTUCKET, 109 Main St. 722-7500
PROVIDENCE, 130 West Exchange St.
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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1986-P	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Total Placements	1,190	1,302	1,751
New Applications	3,358	2,945	4,674
New Openings Rec'd.	1,724	1,657	2,419

P-Preliminary

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	% Change Dec. 1985
Initial Claims	11,750	21,557	- 45.4
No. of Payments	73,778	49,788	+ 48.2
Amt. of Payments	$ 9,360,195	$ 6,139,215	+ 52.5
Exhaustions	1,075	968	+ 11.1

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Initial Claims	3,604	2,816	4,102
No. of Payments	24,208	23,634	22,093
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,165,045	$ 3,056,659	$ 2,745,931

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	496.7	504.3	497.3
Unemployment	26.2	22.9	31.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.3	4.5	6.3
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.5	4.7	5.4

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	340.0	340.5	334.1
Unemployment	13.8	12.9	17.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.1	3.8	5.2

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	139.2	138.6	137.5
Unemployment	8.3	7.0	8.4
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.0	5.1	6.1

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Dec. 1984
Civilian Labor Force	41,455	42,355	39,320
Unemployment	1,310	1,460	1,415
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.2	3.4	3.6

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
NOVEMBER 18-22, 1985

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	10,404	100.0
Men	5,635	54.2
Under 45	4,211	74.7
45 and over	1,424	25.3
Women	4,769	45.8
Under 45	2,705	56.7
45 and over	2,064	43.3
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	784	7.5
Manufacturing	5,090	48.9
Public Utilities	288	2.8
Wholesale and Retail	1,744	16.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	240	2.3
Service	1,664	16.0
All Other	594	5.7
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,744	16.8
Clerical and Sales	1,761	16.9
Service	960	9.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	112	1.1
Processing	288	2.8
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INA	339	3.2

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	420.7	431.4	418.2	- 10,700	+ 2,500
MANUFACTURING	118.8	120.8	119.5	- 2,000	- 700
NONMANUFACTURING	301.9	310.6	298.7	- 8,700	+ 3,200
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	13.5	14.8	12.7	- 1,300	+ 800
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.6	13.8	13.5	- 200	+ 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	91.3	95.9	89.8	- 4,600	+ 1,500
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.2	23.3	23.0	- 100	+ 200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	102.5	104.9	101.2	- 2,400	+ 1,300
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	57.8	57.9	58.5	- 100	- 700

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGES					
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Jan. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	118.8	120.8	119.5	-2000	-700	315.87	302.76	40.6	40.1	7.78	7.55
DURABLE GOODS	81.1	82.8	81.6	-1700	-500	318.65	309.87	40.8	40.4	7.81	7.67
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0	372.69	332.40	41.0	40.0	9.09	8.31
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.6	1.7	1.6	- 100	0	391.68	372.10	40.8	40.8	9.60	9.12
PRIMARY METALS	6.2	6.2	6.2*	0	0	376.47	385.00	42.3	43.8	8.90	8.79
FABRICATED METALS	9.6	9.6	9.6	0	0	283.71	266.40	40.3	40.0	7.04	6.66
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.6*	5.8*	5.6	- 200	0	430.60	418.19	44.3	44.3	9.72	9.44
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.0	12.2	12.0	- 200	0	306.75	281.23	40.9	37.8	7.50	7.44
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.6	9.6	9.9	0	-300	413.70	432.48	40.4	42.4	10.24	10.20
INSTRUMENTS	5.7*	5.7*	5.7*	0	0	312.28	289.88	42.2	40.6	7.40	7.14
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.5	23.6	23.1	-1100	-600	255.63	233.02	40.9	39.9	6.25	5.84
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.6	5.7	5.2	- 100	+400	229.16	226.77	33.7	34.1	6.80	6.65
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.7	38.0	37.9	- 300	-200	309.57	288.75	40.1	39.5	7.72	7.31
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.5	3.5	3.5	0	0	249.31	231.47	37.1	36.8	6.72	6.29
TEXTILES	10.6	10.7	10.7	- 100	-100	297.62	272.83	41.8	40.3	7.12	6.77
APPAREL	3.2	3.3	3.2	- 100	0	269.53	252.53	40.9	40.6	6.59	6.22
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+100	287.70	272.17	41.1	41.3	7.00	6.59
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.3	6.4	6.3	- 100	0	396.07	384.94	37.4	38.0	10.59	10.13
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.0	3.0	3.1	0	-100	413.17	403.76	44.4	41.2	9.98	9.80
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	0	0	315.90	302.52	40.5	41.9	7.80	7.22
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.5	5.5	5.6	0	-100	308.88	286.52	39.6	37.9	7.80	7.56
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.3	0	0	227.26	213.30	39.8	39.5	5.71	5.40

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Within the Durable Goods producing sector, the largest monthly job decrease occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (-1,100). In addition, downturns of 200 each were posted in Nonelectrical Machinery and Electrical Machinery, followed by declines of 100 workers each in Stone-Clay-Glass and Miscellaneous Manufacturing. Payrolls in the remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged for the month. On an annual basis, the only employment increase was registered in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing sector (+400). Conversely, annual job declines were recorded in Jewelry-Silverware (-600) and Transportation Equipment (-300). Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries was unchanged from a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly payroll reductions were evident in Textiles, Apparel and Printing-Publishing (-100 each) while the remaining segments stayed at their December employment levels. Compared to a year ago, the sole Nondurable Goods employment increase occurred in Paper Products (+100). Annual job declines of 100 each were reported in Textiles, Chemical Products and Plastics Products. Employment in the five remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged from January 1985.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector decreased by 8,700 from December to January, primarily due to seasonal reductions in Wholesale and Retail Trade, Services, and Construction. However, the January total of 301,900 was 3,200 jobs above the January 1985 level of 298,700.

Wholesale and Retail Trade reflected reduced post-holiday activity, declining by 4,600 jobs from December to a level of 91,300; this figure represents an annual increase of 1,500, however. Another sizable employment decrease was reported in the Service category, which fell 2,400 to 102,500, but this was a gain of 1,300 from January 1985. Contract Construction at 13,500, also displayed a rather large seasonal reduction (-1,300), but again, this segment was up (+800) over its year ago figure. Total Government employment declined by 100 monthly and 700 annually, to a level of 57,800. Transportation and Public Utilities, at 13,600, reported a monthly decrease of 200 workers, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 23,200 recorded a drop of 100 from December. Still, compared to a year earlier, the former was up 100 and the latter rose by 200 jobs.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 4 cents to $7.78 in January; this represents a gain of 23 cents per hour compared to a year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.4 of an hour in Janaury to 40.6 hours, but this was 0.5 of an hour greater than the January 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in January amounted to $315.87, which was a decrease of $1.47 from December; however, the current weekly earnings level was up $13.11 from January of last year. Hours and earnings figures for 1985 have been revised to reflect updated survey data.

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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 300 IN FEBRUARY TO 421,000

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island increased by 300 jobs in February, as gains in the Manufacturing sector more than offset seasonal decreases in Nonmanufacturing, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 421,000 in Feburary. This figure represents a monthly gain of 300 jobs and is 4,700 greater than the year ago level of 416,300.

MANUFACTURING

Overall manufacturing employment in Rhode Island increased by 900 from January to February. Furthermore, the current figure of 119,700 is 800 more than the February 1985 level of 118,900. In the Durable Goods category, the February employment total of 81,800 was up 700 from the prior month and increased by 300 jobs compared to a year ago. Payrolls in the Nondurable Goods producing industries rose 200 in the January-February period to a level of 37,900, which was 500 above the figure recorded in February 1985.

Within the Durable Goods category, the most substantial monthly job gain occurred in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing sector (+500) followed by smaller advances of 100 each in Lumber/Furniture, Nonelectrical Machinery, Electrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment. In contrast, monthly decreases of 100 each were registered in Fabricated Metals and Jewelry-Silverware, while employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries was un-

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VETERANS' JOB TRAINING PROGRAM EXTENDED UNTIL 1987

Good news for both Rhode Island employers and veterans! The Veterans' Job Training Act (VJTA) has been reopened to Vietnam-era and Korean Conflict veterans and allows them to apply for benefits and training through January 31, 1987 and the deadline to enter job training has also been extended to July 31, 1987. Veterans interested in getting job training under the VJT program must be currently unemployed and out of work for 10 of the 15 weeks prior to applying. They may apply for certification at any local office of the Rhode Island Job Service or the Veterans Administration.

Participating employers are reimbursed for one-half of the starting wages for training eligible veterans, up to $10,000 per trainee. In return, the employer promises to hire the veteran after job training.

Thus far about 42,000 long-term unemployed veterans in the country have received job training under this program since its inception in 1984, including 374 in Rhode Island which ranks number one in New England and eighth in the United States.

Employers interested in learning more about the Veterans' Job Training program are invited to contact any local office of the Rhode Island Job Service listed on page two of this Bulletin. You may also place your job orders with the Job Bank by calling 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1986-P	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
Total Placements	1,144	1,061	916
New Applications	3,830	3,220	4,049
New Openings Rec'd.	1,856	1,867	1,541

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EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	% Change Jan. 1986
Initial Claims	8,457	11,750	- 28.0
No. of Payments	62,533	73,788	- 15.3
Amt. of Payments	$ 8,085,696	$ 9,360,195	- 13.6
Exhaustions	936	1,075	- 12.9

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
Initial Claims	3,434	3,604	3,737
No. of Payments	21,748	24,208	21,003
Amt. of Payments	$ 2,851,713	$ 3,165,045	$ 2,574,648

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	496.9	496.7	493.7
Unemployment	26.2	26.2	29.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.3	5.3	6.0
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.6	4.5	5.3

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	323.1	328.1	325.5
Unemployment	16.5	14.0	19.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.1	4.3	6.0

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	164.9	166.0	161.7
Unemployment	9.7	8.9	11.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.9	5.4	6.9

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	32,325	32,790	31,920
Unemployment	1,555	1,270	1,670
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.8	3.9	5.2

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
FEBRUARY 17-21, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	17,010	100.0
Men	11,031	64.9
Under 45	8,513	77.2
45 and over	2,518	22.8
Women	5,979	35.1
Under 45	4,039	67.6
45 and over	1,940	32.4
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	3,706	21.8
Manufacturing	6,922	40.7
Public Utilities	716	4.2
Wholesale and Retail	2,518	14.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	297	1.7
Service	1,854	10.9
All Other	997	5.9
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,399	8.2
Clerical and Sales	3,077	18.1
Service	1,416	8.3
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	927	5.4
Processing	454	2.7
Machine Trades	1,416	8.3
Bench Work	2,098	12.3
Structural Work	4,178	24.7
Miscellaneous	2,010	11.8
INA	35	0.2

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	421.0	420.7	416.3	+ 300	+ 4,700
MANUFACTURING -	119.7	118.8	118.9	+ 900	+ 800
NONMANUFACTURING	301.3	301.9	297.4	- 600	+ 3,900
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	13.2	13.5	11.9	- 300	+ 1,300
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.6	13.6	13.4	-	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	90.4	91.3	88.9	- 900	+ 1,500
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.2	23.2	23.0	-	+ 200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	102.9	102.5	101.8	+ 400	+ 1,100
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.0	57.8	58.4	+ 200	- 400

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGES					
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Feb. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.7	118.8	118.9	+900	+800	315.15	301.20	40.3	40.0	7.82	7.53
DURABLE GOODS	81.8	81.1	81.5	+700	+300	317.93	305.12	40.5	40.2	7.85	7.59
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.8	2.7	2.8	+100	0	375.91	354.04	41.4	42.4	9.08	8.35
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.6	1.6	1.6	0	0	381.60	372.91	40.0	40.8	9.54	9.14
PRIMARY METALS	6.2	6.2	6.0*	0	+200	384.05	397.38	43.2	44.7	8.89	8.89
FABRICATED METALS	9.5	9.6	9.6	- 100	- 100	281.56	263.87	39.6	39.8	7.11	6.63
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.6*	5.6	+100	+100	427.68	418.75	44.0	44.5	9.72	9.41
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.1	12.0	11.9	+100	+200	304.78	275.94	40.8	37.8	7.47	7.30
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.6	9.9	+100	- 200	409.42	424.13	40.1	41.5	10.21	10.22
INSTRUMENTS	5.7*	5.7*	5.6*	0	+100	306.77	288.80	41.4	40.0	7.41	7.22
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.4	22.5	22.8	- 100	- 400	256.88	245.78	40.2	39.9	6.39	6.16
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.1	5.6	5.7	+500	+400	235.63	226.10	34.6	34.0	6.81	6.65
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.9	37.7	37.4	+200	+500	310.00	293.38	40.0	39.7	7.75	7.39
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.5	3.5	3.4	0	+100	253.26	230.95	37.8	36.6	6.70	6.31
TEXTILES	10.8*	10.6	10.6	+200	+200	293.53	272.43	41.4	40.6	7.09	6.71
APPAREL	3.2	3.2	3.2	0	0	273.41	255.82	41.3	40.8	6.62	6.27
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+100	291.40	274.65	41.1	41.3	7.09	6.65
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	0	410.65	387.45	38.2	37.8	10.75	10.25
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.0	3.0	3.1	0	- 100	406.81	400.98	40.6	41.0	10.02	9.78
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	0	0	315.19	290.34	40.1	41.3	7.86	7.03
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.5	5.5	5.5	0	0	304.58	300.70	39.3	38.7	7.75	7.77
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.1	0	+200	215.00	211.47	38.6	39.9	5.57	5.30

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changed during this period. Compared to February 1985, the largest payroll increase in Durable Goods was reported in Miscellaneous Manufacturing (+400). Also up from their year ago job levels were Primary Metals and Electrical Machinery (+200 each), and Nonelectrical Machinery and Instruments (+100 each). Jewelry-Silverware payrolls were down 400 for the twelve-month period followed by declines in Transportation Equipment (-200) and Fabricated Metals (-100). Employment in Lumber/Furniture and Stone-Clay-Glass posted no change from the same month a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, the sole monthly job gain occurred in Textiles (+200) while the remaining segments were unchanged from the previous month. On an annual comparison, employment upturns were registered in Textiles and Leather Products (+200 each) and Food-Beverage and Paper Products (+100 each). A decline of 100 workers was reported in Chemical Products, while employment in Apparel, Printing-Publishing, Rubber Products, and Plastics Products was unchanged compared to a year ago.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector declined by 600 from January to February, due to continuing seasonal layoffs in Wholesale and Retail Trade and Construction. However, the February total of 301,300 was 3,900 higher than the February 1985 level of 297,400.

The Service category posted the largest monthly increase in Nonmanufacturing, adding 400 workers. At 102,900, this segment was also up 1,100 from a year ago. Total Government employment, at 58,000, rose 200 for the month, but was down 400 from last February. Wholesale and Retail Trade payrolls decreased by 900 from January to 90,400; however, this figure is 1,500 greater than the 88,900 employed in this category one year ago. Although construction jobs fell by 300 for the month to 13,200, this represents an annual increase of 1,300. Transportation and Public Utilities and Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate recorded no change in employment from January to February. However, both the former, at 13,600, and the latter, at 23,200, posted a job gain of 200 compared to a year earlier.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production and related workers increased by 4 cents to $7.82 in February; this figure was up 29 cents compared to a year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.3 of an hour in February to 40.3 hours, but this was 0.3 of an hour higher than reported in February 1985. Average weekly earnings for these workers in February amounted to $315.15. While this represents a decrease of 72 cents from last month, it is $13.95 more than was reported in February last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT TOTALS 422,200 IN MARCH

Overall Rhode Island establishment employment increased by 1,200 from February to March, as a slight decrease in Manufacturing jobs was more than offset by seasonal gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 422,200 in March. This represents a gain of 1,200 from the February level of 421,000 and is 4,600 more than the March 1985 total of 417,600.

MANUFACTURING

Total manufacturing employment in Rhode Island decreased by 200 in March to 119,500. Nevertheless, the current figure was 900 above the year earlier level of 118,600. In the Durable Goods category, the March employment figure of 81,700 was down 100 from the February level, but was up 600 compared to the March 1985 total. Employment in the Nondurable Goods sector also decreased 100 in the February-March period to 37,800, but was 300 above the total recorded a year ago.

Within the Durable Goods sector, a monthly job gain of 100 in Fabricated Metals was overshadowed by declines of 100 each in Jewelry-Silverware and Miscellaneous Manufacturing. The remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged from their February employment levels. On an annual basis, payroll expansion was evident in Primary Metals, Electrical Machinery and Miscellaneous Manufacturing (+300 each). In addition, an upturn of 200 occurred in Instruments, followed by annual increases of 100 each in Fabricated Metals and Nonelectrical Machin-

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PROJECT "EARN IT"

The Department of Employment Security and the District Court system in Rhode Island have cooperatively participated in a victim restitution program called "Project Earn It" since January, 1986. Instituted jointly by the Hon. Robert K. Pirraglia of the Pawtucket District Court and John S. Renza, DES Director, the program is intended to provide unemployed defendants a chance to become productive citizens and their victims with quicker restitution.

Defendants found guilty of misdemeanor crimes in Judge Pirraglia's court must prove they can pay restitution to the victim and court fines. If they cannot by reason of unemployment, the defendant is formally referred to the DES Job Service for job placement. Once employed and earning a wage, the Court arranges with the defendant to make restitution to the victim and pay court costs. Unemployed offenders who refuse a job offered by DES without good reason risk additional court fines and possible imprisonment.

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Middletown, ...847-3680
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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
Total Placements	1,141	1,089	1,126
New Applications	3,118	3,741	4,831
New Openings Rec'd.	2,557	1,975	2,784

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	% Change Feb. 1986
Initial Claims	7,018	8,457	- 17.0
No. of Payments	62,583	62,533	+ 0.1
Amt. of Payments	$ 8,172,208	$ 8,085,696	+ 1.1
Exhaustions	1,194	936	+ 27.6

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
Initial Claims	3,618	3,434	3,490
No. of Payments	23,113	21,748	24,105
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,019,550	$ 2,851,713	$ 2,953,804

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	500.4	496.9	494.8
Unemployment	23.6	26.2	28.1
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.7	5.3	5.7
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.3	4.6	5.2

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	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
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Rate (Unadjusted)	5.7	5.9	6.4

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	32,565	32,325	31,750
Unemployment	1,505	1,555	1,605
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.6	4.8	5.1

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Miscellaneous	2,010	11.8
INA	35	0.2

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	422.2	421.0	417.6	+ 1,200	+ 4,600
MANUFACTURING	119.5	119.7	118.6	- 200	+ 900
NONMANUFACTURING	302.7	301.3	299.0	+ 1,400	+ 3,700
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	13.6	13.2	12.5	+ 400	+ 1,100
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.6	13.6	13.4	-	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	91.0	90.4	89.7	+ 600	+ 1,300
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.3	23.2	23.2	+ 100	+ 100
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	103.3**	102.9	101.9	+ 400	+ 1,400
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	57.9	58.0	58.3	- 100	- 400

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGES					
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Mar. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.5	119.7	118.6	- 200	+900	$318.30	$302.35	40.6	40.1	$7.84	$7.54
DURABLE GOODS	81.7	81.8	81.1	- 100	+600	320.28	305.12	40.8	40.2	7.85	7.59
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0	375.87	391.56	40.9	42.5	9.19	8.38
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.6	1.6	1.7	0	- 100	380.24	371.28	39.2	40.8	9.70	9.10
PRIMARY METALS	6.2	6.2	5.9*	0	+300	396.88	377.50	44.0	42.8	9.02	8.82
FABRICATED METALS	9.6	9.5	9.5	+100	+100	387.45	268.00	40.6	40.0	7.08	6.70
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.7*	5.6*	0	+100	425.65	414.86	44.2	43.9	9.63	9.45
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.1*	12.1	11.8	0	+300	307.10	281.15	41.5	38.2	7.40	7.36
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.7	9.9	0	- 200	417.18	434.00	40.7	42.3	10.25	10.26
INSTRUMENTS	5.7*	5.7*	5.5*	0	+200	306.82	300.25	40.8	41.3	7.52	7.27
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.3	22.4	22.7	- 100	- 400	252.23	244.19	40.1	39.9	6.29	6.12
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.0	6.1	5.7	- 100	+300	242.51	234.20	35.3	34.8	6.87	6.73
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.8	37.9	37.5	- 100	+300	311.52	294.23	40.3	39.6	7.73	7.43
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.5	3.1	- 300	+100	254.25	241.70	37.5	37.3	6.78	6.48
TEXTILES	10.8	10.8	10.8	0	0	300.12	273.91	41.8	40.7	7.18	6.73
APPAREL	3.3	3.2	3.3	+100	0	276.12	251.22	41.9	39.5	6.59	6.36
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+100	296.74	277.95	41.1	41.3	7.22	6.73
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.4	6.3	6.3	+100	+100	404.77	385.50	37.9	37.5	10.68	10.28
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.9	3.0	3.1	- 100	- 200	403.61	402.70	40.2	40.8	10.04	9.87
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	0	0	319.06	305.14	40.8	41.8	7.82	7.30
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.6	5.5	5.5	+100	+100	308.77	299.15	40.1	38.6	7.70	7.75
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.2	0	+100	214.95	213.79	38.8	40.8	5.54	5.24

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ery. The largest job decline for the 12 month period was registered in Jewelry-Silverware (-400). Also down from their year ago levels were Transportation Equipment (-200) and Stone-Clay-Glass (-100). March employment in Lumber/Furniture showed no change compared to a year earlier.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly job gains were posted in Apparel, Printing-Publishing and Plastics Products (+100 each). In contrast, payroll declines were reported in Food-Beverage (-300) and Chemical Products (-100). Employment in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged from February. Compared to March 1985, employment increases were recorded in Food-Beverage, Paper Products, Printing-Publishing, Plastics Products and Leather Products (+100 each). An annual decline of 200 workers occurred in Chemical Products, while payrolls in Textiles, Apparel and Rubber Products remained at their year ago levels.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector increased by 1,400 from February to March, primarily due to hiring in Trade, Service and Contract Construction. The current figure of 302,700 is also 3,700 above the year ago level of 299,000.

Within this sector, Wholesale and Retail Trade posted the most substantial monthly job gain as it rose 600 to its current total of 91,000; this was 1,300 greater than the figure recorded a year earlier. Similarly, employment in the various Service categories, at 103,300, and Contract Construction, at 13,600, each registered a monthly increase of 400. In addition, the former was up 1,400 and the latter advanced 1,100 compared to March 1985. Payrolls in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate rose 100 on both a monthly and an annual basis, to a level of 23,300. Total Government employment was down 100 for the month; at 57,900 this segment experienced an annual decline of 400 workers. Although Transportation and Public Utilities payrolls did not change from February to March, the current job total of 13,600 reflects an increase of 200 compared to a year ago.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production and related workers rose by 2 cents to $7.84 in March. This figure was up 30 cents compared to a year earlier. The average work week increased by 0.3 of an hour in March to 40.6 hours, which was also 0.5 of an hour greater than the March 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers amounted to $318.30 in March, a gain of $3.15 from last month and an increase of $15.95 from the year ago level.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 424,900 IN APRIL

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island increased by 2,700 in April as continued seasonal gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector overshadowed a slight decrease in manufacturing jobs, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island establishment employment totalled 424,900 in April. This represents a monthly gain of 2,700 jobs, and is 2,100 more than the April 1985 level of 422,800.

MANUFACTURING

Overall manufacturing employment decreased by 100 in the March-April period. However, the current figure of 119,400 is 1,700 greater than the year ago level of 117,700. In the Durable Goods sector, the April employment total of 81,800 showed an increase of 100 from the prior month, and was 1,000 above the figure recorded a year ago. The Nondurable Goods employment level of 37,600 was 200 below the March total, but advanced 700 compared to April 1985.

Within the Durable Goods category, the largest monthly job gain occurred in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing category (+200), followed by employment increases of 100 each in Lumber/Furniture, Stone-Clay-Glass and Jewelry-Silverware. In contrast, payroll decreases of 100 each were recorded in Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, Transportation Equipment and Instruments. Employment levels in Nonelectrical Machinery and Electrical Machinery posted no change from March to April. Compared to a year ago, the most substantial

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SUMMER JOBS!

RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE WILL HELP YOU FILL THEM

Summer Jobs '86 is the State's attempt to match those employers in Rhode Island who have summer job openings with the pool of job-seekers anxious to get one of them. The goal of the effort is to place as many young people as possible in the private sector as well as in State and local government. The openings will be listed at all offices of the Rhode Island Job Service and the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) program and any teenager is welcome to come into the nearest office to see what's available. Most of the jobs pay minimum wage – $3.35 per hour – others pay higher. At each local office of the Job Service, the young job-seeker can sit down at any easy-to-use microfilm viewer and review the hundreds of job openings currently available. Of course, there's no fee for any service offered by the Job Service to either job-seeker or employer.

The key to the success of the campaign is the support and response from the employer community in the public and private sector – that means you! By providing just a single job, you are giving a youngster the opportunity to do something meaningful this summer, to learn first-hand about the world of work, to contribute to the economy of the State and, most importantly, to feel good about himself or herself.

Employers with jobs to offer can list them with the Rhode Island Job Bank at 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265. Young people looking for work can dial a toll-free number – 1-800-462-5872 – for up-to-date information and to learn the location of the nearest office of the Rhode Island Job Service. Youngsters in the 14-17 age range who also want to work should contact the Call-A-Teen program through any Job Service office. Summer Jobs '86 – matching the summer job-seeker with employers needing them.

RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE OFFICES

BRISTOL COUNTY, 470 Metacom Ave. 245-9300
EAST PROVIDENCE, 877 Broadway 277-3546
NEWPORT COUNTY, 73 Valley Road
Middletown, ...847-3680
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PROVIDENCE, 130 West Exchange St.
Employer Services 277-3573
Jewelry 277-3553
Manufacturing & Construction 277-3556
Professional & Clerical 277-3584
Temporary Help 277-3559
NO. KINGSTOWN, 7734 Post Road 294-9923
NO. PROVIDENCE, 1951 Smith St. 231-5293
WAKEFIELD, Washington County Gov't. Center
Tower Hill Road 789-9721
WARWICK, 50 Airport Road. 737-7550
WESTERLY, 57 Spruce Street. 596-2814
WEST WARWICK, 1330 Main St. 828-6134
WOONSOCKET, 217 Pond St. 762-9010

OTHER JOB SERVICE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

JOB BANK 277-3588
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TJTC Information 277-3726
TJTC Job Orders. 277-3588
CALL-A-TEEN . . . Call your local Job Service Office
Project STEADY. 277-6813

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
Total Placements	1,341	1,141	1,369
New Applications	3,064	3,118	2,827
New Openings Rec'd.	2,601	2,557	2,824

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	% Change Mar. 1986
Initial Claims	7,902	7,018	+ 12.6
No. of Payments	53,560	62,583	- 14.4
Amt. of Payments	$ 6,735,274	$ 8,172,208	- 17.6
Exhaustions	1,235	1,194	+ 3.4

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
Initial Claims	3,654	3,618	3,417
No. of Payments	25,750	23,113	22,805
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,406,684	$ 3,019,550	$2,838,350

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	500.9	500.4	500.3
Unemployment	19.5	23.6	27.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.9	4.7	5.4
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.8	4.3	5.2

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	324.9	323.4	324.1
Unemployment	14.6	16.9	17.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.5	5.2	5.5

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	165.3	164.0	160.2
Unemployment	9.4	9.4	10.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.7	5.7	6.4

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	33,100	32,565	32,115
Unemployment	1,310	1,505	1,410
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	4.6	4.4

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
FEBRUARY 17-21, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	17,010	100.0
Men	11,031	64.9
Under 45	8,513	77.2
45 and over	2,518	22.8
Women	5,979	35.1
Under 45	4,039	67.6
45 and over	1,940	32.4
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	3,706	21.8
Manufacturing	6,922	40.7
Public Utilities	716	4.2
Wholesale and Retail	2,518	14.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	297	1.7
Service	1,854	10.9
All Other	997	5.9
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,399	8.2
Clerical and Sales	3,077	18.1
Service	1,416	8.3
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	927	5.4
Processing	454	2.7
Machine Trades	1,416	8.3
Bench Work	2,098	12.3
Structural Work	4,178	24.7
Miscellaneous	2,010	11.8
INA	35	0.2

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	424.9	422.2	422.8	+ 2,700	+ 2,100
MANUFACTURING	119.4	119.5	117.7	- 100	+ 1,700
NONMANUFACTURING	305.5	302.7	305.1	+ 2,800	+ 400
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	14.4	13.6	14.5	+ 800	- 100
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.7	13.6	13.8	+ 100	- 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	91.8	91.0	91.6	+ 800	+ 200
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.4	23.3	23.2	+ 100	+ 200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	104.4	103.3**	103.5	+ 1,100	+ 900
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	57.8	57.9	58.5	- 100	- 700

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* Farmers, Self-employed, Domestic and Armed Services personnel are excluded.
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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGES					
	IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Apr. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.4	119.5	117.7	- 100	+1700	317.93	300.89	40.5	39.8	7.85	7.56
DURABLE GOODS	81.8	81.7	80.8	+100	+1000	319.52	302.08	40.6	39.8	7.87	7.59
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	2.8	2.9	+100	0	374.51	347.77	40.4	41.9	9.27	8.30
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.6	1.7	+100	0	393.30	366.0	40.0	40.0	9.83	9.15
PRIMARY METALS	6.1	6.2	5.7	- 100	+ 400	396.55	370.58	43.5	42.4	9.07	8.74
FABRICATED METALS	9.5*	9.6	9.4	- 100	+ 100	383.20	271.55	40.0	39.7	7.08	6.84
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.7*	5.5	0	+ 200	435.38	410.21	44.7	43.5	9.74	9.43
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.1	12.1*	11.7	0	+ 400	302.99	281.78	41.0	38.6	7.39	7.30
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.6	9.7	9.9	- 100	- 300	422.87	431.57	40.7	41.9	10.39	10.30
INSTRUMENTS	5.6*	5.7*	5.5*	- 100	+ 100	310.49	305.14	40.8	41.8	7.61	7.30
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.4	22.3	22.7	+100	- 300	249.77	239.12	39.9	39.2	6.26	6.10
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.2	6.0	5.8	+200	+ 400	247.65	226.38	36.1	34.3	6.86	6.60
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.6	37.8	36.9	- 200	+ 700	315.93	297.00	40.4	39.6	7.82	7.50
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.2	3.0	0	+ 200	256.43	241.04	37.6	36.8	6.82	6.55
TEXTILES	10.7	10.8	10.6	- 100	+ 100	295.30	272.69	41.3	40.7	7.15	6.70
APPAREL	3.2	3.3	3.1	- 100	+ 100	277.53	240.66	42.5	38.2	6.53	6.30
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.6	2.6	2.5	0	+ 100	296.31	273.64	41.5	40.6	7.14	6.74
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.4	6.4	6.4	0	0	413.00	393.84	38.1	38.2	10.84	10.31
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.9	2.9	3.2	0	- 300	420.45	396.15	40.9	40.3	10.28	9.83
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	0	0	329.94	317.25	42.3	42.3	7.80	7.50
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.6	5.6	5.3	0	+ 300	309.64	303.02	39.8	38.7	7.78	7.83
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.1	0	+ 200	224.87	215.95	40.3	40.9	5.58	5.28

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payroll gains were posted in Primary Metals, Electrical Machinery and in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (+400 each). Also up from their year ago employment totals were Nonelectrical Machinery (+200), Fabricated Metals (+100) and Instruments (+100). These increases more than offset annual downturns of 300 each in Transportation Equipment and Jewelry-Silverware. Employment in Lumber/Furniture and Stone-Clay-Glass was unchanged from the same month a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly job declines of 100 each were reported in Textiles and Apparel. The remaining Nondurable Goods industries remained at their March employment levels. On an annual comparison, payrolls in Plastics Products expanded by 300 workers. In addition, upturns of 200 each were evident in Food-Beverage and Leather Products, followed by gains of 100 each in Textiles, Apparel and Paper Products. For the twelve month period, the sole decline in the number of jobs occurred in Chemical Products (-300). Employment in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged compared to April 1985.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island Nonmanufacturing establishments rose by 2,800 from March to April, primarily due to continued seasonal growth in Service, Trade and Contract Construction. The April non-factory employment level of 305,500 was 400 jobs above the year earlier figure of 305,100.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the largest monthly increase was the addition of 1,100 workers to Service payrolls. At 104,400 this segment was also up 900 from a year ago. Both Wholesale and Retail Trade, at 91,800, and Contract Construction, at 14,400, reported seasonal job gains of 800 each during the month; the former was up 200 and the latter down 100 compared to their April 1985 levels. Overall Government employment declined by 100 from last month to the current total of 57,800, which was 700 less than the year ago figure. With a monthly job gain of 100, payrolls in Transportation and Public Utilities rose to 13,700 in April, but this represents a decrease of 100 compared to a year ago. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate employment, at 23,400, posted a monthly increase of 100 and an annual gain of 200.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production and related workers rose by 1 cent to $7.85 in April. This figure was up 29 cents compared to a year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.1 of an hour in April to 40.5 hours, but this was 0.7 of an hour higher than reported in April 1985. Average weekly earnings for these workers in April amounted to $317.93. While this represents a decline of 87 cents from last month, it is $17.04 more than the year earlier figure.

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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 6,000 IN MAY TO 430,900

Primarily due to gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector, overall establishment employment in Rhode Island increased by 6,000 in May, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 430,900 in May. This represents an increase of 6,000 from the April level and is 2,300 greater than the May 1985 figure of 428,600.

MANUFACTURING

Total Manufacturing employment in Rhode Island rose by 200 from April to May. Moreover, the current figure of 119,600 is 1,900 more than the year earlier level of 117,700. In the Durable Goods category, the May employment total of 82,000 was up 200 from the previous month and increased by 1,500 jobs compared to a year ago. Payrolls in the Nondurable Goods producing industries remained at 37,600 for the April-May period, but this was 400 higher than the figure recorded in May 1985.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job gains in Jewelry-Silverware (+200) and Fabricated Metals (+100) more than offset a decline of 100 in Primary Metals. Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries was unchanged for the month. Compared to

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JOB OPENINGS WANTED FOR THE CLASS OF '86

Department of Employment Security Director John S. Renza urges Rhode Island employers with job openings to take a few moments and consider hiring from the Class of '86 – those young men and women graduating from college, from business and vocational schools and from high schools who are looking for their first job. These young people are eager to join the ranks of wage earners and contributors to Rhode Island's economy – and they are looking to you for that first opportunity.

The twelve local offices of the Rhode Island Job Service are prepared to process applications for the graduates and to evaluate their abilities, aptitudes and interests in order to match the job-seeker to the needs of the employer.

Rhode Island employers are reminded that job orders can be listed with the Job Bank – 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265. Job Bank listings receive next-day statewide exposure. Employers may also list job openings with the nearest Job Service office. A listing appears on page two of this Bulletin.

JOB SERVICE

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	May 1986-P	Apr. 1986	May 1985
Total Placements	966	1,341	1,370
New Applications	3,325	3,064	2,757
New Openings Rec'd.	2,621	2,601	3,159

P-Preliminary

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	% Change Apr.1986
Initial Claims	7,424	7,902	- 6.0
No. of Payments	44,714	53,560	- 16.5
Amt. of Payments	$ 5,568,274	$ 6,735,274	- 17.3
Exhaustions	1,032	1,235	- 16.4

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985
Initial Claims	3,592	3,654	3,815
No. of Payments	23,898	25,750	23,216
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,139,063	$ 3,406,684	$ 2,870,158

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
*(In thousands)

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985
Civilian Labor Force	507.4	500.9	504.6
Unemployment	17.5	19.5	24.8
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.4	3.9	4.9
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.7	3.8	5.3

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	324.7	324.9	326.9
Unemployment	12.0	14.6	17.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.7	4.5	5.3

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	164.5	165.3	161.8
Unemployment	7.9	9.4	9.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.8	5.7	5.7

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	33,515	33,100	33,095
Unemployment	1,025	1,310	1,285
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.1	4.0	3.9

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
MAY 19-23, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	11,143	100.0
Men	5,798	52.0
Under 45	4,228	72.9
45 and over	1,570	27.1
Women	5,345	48.0
Under 45	3,775	70.6
45 and over	1,570	29.4
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	969	8.7
Manufacturing	5,480	49.2
Public Utilities	367	3.3
Wholesale and Retail	1,938	17.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	284	2.5
Service	1,604	14.4
All Other	501	4.5
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,554	13.9
Clerical and Sales	2,572	23.2
Service	1,119	10.0
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	117	1.0
Processing	300	2.7
Machine Trades	1,303	11.7
Bench Work	1,404	12.6
Structural Work	1,403	12.6
Miscellaneous	1,186	10.6
INA	185	1.7

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985	Apr. 1986	May 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	430.9	424.9	428.6	+ 6,000	+ 2,300
MANUFACTURING	119.6	119.4	117.7	+ 200	+ 1,900
NONMANUFACTURING	311.3	305.5	310.9	+ 5,800	+ 400
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	15.5	14.4	15.5	+ 1,100	-
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.8	13.7	13.9	+ 100	- 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	94.3	91.8	93.9	+ 2,500	+ 400
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.5	23.4	23.3	+ 100	+ 200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	106.7	104.4	106.1	+ 2,300	+ 600
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	57.5	57.8	58.2	- 300	- 700

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985	Apr. 1986	May 1985	May 1986	May 1985	May 1986	May 1985	May 1986	May 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.6	119.4	117.7	+200	+1900	$ 319.95	$302.40	40.5	40.0	$7.90	$ 7.56
DURABLE GOODS	82.0	81.8	80.5	+200	+1500	320.33	302.80	40.6	40.0	7.89	7.57
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	2.9	2.8	0	+ 100	377.87	346.09	40.5	41.3	9.33	8.38
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0	399.43	374.95	40.8	40.8	9.79	9.19
PRIMARY METALS	6.0	6.1	5.6	- 100	+ 400	395.76	385.42	43.3	43.6	9.14	8.84
FABRICATED METALS	9.6	9.5*	9.5	+100	+ 100	285.68	277.26	39.9	40.3	7.16	6.88
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.7*	5.4	0	+ 300	436.27	404.80	44.7	42.7	9.76	9.48
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.1	12.1	11.8	0	+ 300	295.71	283.71	39.8	38.6	7.43	7.35
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.6	9.6	9.6	0	0	420.80	421.26	40.5	41.3	10.39	10.20
INSTRUMENTS	5.6*	5.6*	5.5*	- 0	+ 100	317.54	300.54	41.4	41.8	7.67	7.19
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.6	22.4	22.8	+200	- 200	249.48	241.13	39.6	39.4	6.30	6.12
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.2	6.2	5.8	0	+ 400	256.41	223.01	37.0	34.1	6.93	6.54
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.6	37.6	37.2	0	+ 400	318.77	300.80	40.3	40.0	7.91	7.52
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.2	3.0	0	+ 200	259.50	235.15	37.5	36.8	6.92	6.39
TEXTILES	10.6	10.7	10.5	- 100	+ 100	297.25	277.16	41.4	41.0	7.18	6.76
APPAREL	3.2	3.2	3.2	0	0	272.30	244.77	41.7	39.1	6.53	6.26
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.6	2.5	+100	+ 200	304.61	279.75	41.9	41.2	7.27	6.79
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.4	6.4	6.4	0	0	425.57	401.94	38.9	38.5	10.94	10.44
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.9	2.9	3.3	0	- 400	425.80	399.96	41.1	40.4	10.36	9.90
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	0	0	325.43	332.88	42.1	43.8	7.73	7.60
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.6	5.6	5.5	0	+ 100	302.64	312.40	39.0	40.0	7.76	7.81
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.3	0	+ 200	226.80	207.32	40.5	40.1	5.60	5.17

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a year ago, the largest payroll increases in Durable Goods were reported in Primary Metals and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (+400 each), followed by advvances of 300 each in Nonelectrical Machinery and Electrical Machinery. Also up from their year ago job levels were Lumber/Furniture, Fabricated Metals and Instruments (+100 each). For the twelve month period, the only employment decrease occurred in Jewelry/ Silverware (-200), while the remaining segments posted no annual change.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, a monthly job gain of 100 in Paper Products counterbalanced a decline of 100 in Textiles. Employment in the seven remaining Nondurable categories was unchanged, from April to May. On an annual basis, payroll increases were posted in Food-Beverage, Paper Products and Leather Products (+200 each). In addition, upturns of 100 each were reported in Textiles and Plastics Products. The sole job decline from a year ago was registered in Chemical Products (-400), while the remaining industries stayed at their May 1985 levels.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector increased by 5,800 from April to May, primarily the result of additional hiring in Trade, Service and Contract Construction. The May employment level of 311,300 represents a gain of 400 jobs compared to the year ago figure of 310,900.

Within the nonfactory sector, employment in Wholesale and Retail Trade rose by 2,500 in May to 94,300, up 400 from one year ago. Service payrolls, at 106,700 showed a monthly increase of 2,300 and were 600 higher than the May 1985 total. As a result of a monthly job gain of 1,100, Contract Construction employment rose to 15,500, but remained stable compared to a year earlier. Overall Government employment, at 57,500, was down 300 for the month and 700 on an annual basis. Both Transportation and Public Utilities, at 13,800, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 23,500, increased by 100 jobs in the April-May period. Compared to May 1985, the former decreased by 100, while the latter segment was up 200.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 5 cents to $7.90 in May; this represents a gain of 34 cents per hour compared to a year ago. The average work week remained at 40.5 hours from April to May, but this was 0.5 of an hour greater than the May 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in May amounted to $319.95, which was a gain of $2.02 from April and an increase of $17.55 from the year ago level.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 431,400 IN JUNE

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island posted its fifth consecutive monthly gain as the overall number of jobs in both the Manufacturing and Nonmanufacturing sectors rose in June, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 431,400 in June. This represents an increase of 500 jobs from the May level and is 2,100 greater than the June 1985 total of 429,300.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Rhode Island Manufacturing employment rose by 200 in the May-June period to 119,800, a gain of 500 from the year earlier level of 119,300. In the Durable Goods category, the June employment total of 82,300 was up 300 from the prior month and was 500 above the figure recorded in June 1985. The current Nondurable Goods employment level of 37,500 was down 100 from the May total, but showed no change compared to a year ago.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job gains of 100 each in Fabricated Metals, Transportation Equipment, Jewelry-Silverware and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment overshadowed a decrease of 100 in Instruments. Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries was unchanged from the previous month. Compared to a year ago, the most substantial payroll increase (+500) was posted in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing category, followed by upturns of 300 each

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	June 1986	May 1986-R	June 1985
Total Placements	1,003	934	1,845
New Applications	2,586	2,565	2,442
New Openings Rec'd.	2,525	3,289	2,476

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EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	June 1986	May 1986	% Change May 1986
Initial Claims	11,295	7,424	+ 52.1
No. of Payments	40,563	44,714	- 9.3
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,992,944	$ 5,568,274	- 10.3
Exhaustions	899	1,032	- 12.9

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985
Initial Claims	3,460	3,592	3,110
No. of Payments	23,115	23,898	21,640
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,021,452	$ 3,139,063	$ 2,698,999

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985
Civilian Labor Force	510.4	507.4	505.3
Unemployment	18.6	17.5	25.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.6	3.4	4.9
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.7	3.7	5.1

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985
Civilian Labor Force	328.8	324.7	328.1
Unemployment	10.9	12.0	15.8
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.3	3.7	4.8

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985
Civilian Labor Force	165.3	164.5	163.7
Unemployment	7.3	7.9	8.6
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.4	4.8	5.3

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985
Civilian Labor Force	34,585	33,515	34,285
Unemployment	860	1,025	1,105
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.5	3.1	3.2

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
MAY 19-23, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	11,143	100.0
Men	5,798	52.0
Under 45	4,228	72.9
45 and over	1,570	27.1
Women	5,345	48.0
Under 45	3,775	70.6
45 and over	1,570	29.4
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	969	8.7
Manufacturing	5,480	49.2
Public Utilities	367	3.3
Wholesale and Retail	1,938	17.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	284	2.5
Service	1,604	14.4
All Other	501	4.5
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,554	13.9
Clerical and Sales	2,572	23.2
Service	1,119	10.0
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	117	1.0
Processing	300	2.7
Machine Trades	1,303	11.7
Bench Work	1,404	12.6
Structural Work	1,403	12.6
Miscellaneous	1,186	10.6
INA	185	1.7

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985	May 1986	June 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	431.4	430.9	429.3	+ 500	+ 2,100
MANUFACTURING	119.8	119.6	119.3	+ 200	+ 500
NONMANUFACTURING	311.6	311.3	310.0	+ 300	+ 1,600
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	16.1	15.5	16.2	+ 600	- 100
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.9**	13.8	14.2	+ 100	- 300
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	95.7	94.3	95.4	+ 1,400	+ 300
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.6	23.5	23.6	+ 100	-
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	105.0	106.7	103.0	- 1,700	+ 2,000
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	57.3	57.5	57.6	- 200	- 300

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985	May 1986	June 1985	June 1986	June 1985	June 1986	June 1985	June 1986	June 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.8	119.6	119.3	+200	+500	321.94	305.42	40.7	40.4	7.91	7.56
DURABLE GOODS	82.3	82.0	81.8	+300	+500	322.32	306.59	40.8	40.5	7.90	7.57
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	2.9	2.8	-	+100	385.33	354.46	41.3	42.4	9.33	8.36
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.7	-	-	402.52	381.89	40.7	40.8	9.89	9.36
PRIMARY METALS	6.0	6.0	5.7	-	+300	393.02	368.46	43.0	42.4	9.14	8.69
FABRICATED METALS	9.7	9.6	9.7	+100	-	294.17	282.21	40.8	40.9	7.21	6.90
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.7*	5.4	-	+300	439.40	410.48	44.7	43.3	9.83	9.48
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.1	12.1	11.9	-	+200	299.03	294.00	40.3	39.2	7.42	7.50
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.6	9.9	+100	- 200	420.16	429.94	40.4	41.5	10.40	10.36
INSTRUMENTS	5.5*	5.6*	5.5*	- 100	-	326.83	304.16	42.5	42.6	7.69	7.14
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.7	22.6	23.4	+100	- 700	251.83	243.21	40.1	40.2	6.28	6.05
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.3	6.2	5.8	+100	+500	257.63	229.99	36.7	34.9	7.02	6.59
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.5	37.6	37.5	- 100	-	320.37	302.35	40.4	40.1	7.93	7.54
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.2	3.1	-	+100	268.71	240.17	37.9	36.5	7.09	6.58
TEXTILES	10.6	10.6	10.6	-	-	296.53	281.40	41.3	41.2	7.18	6.83
APPAREL	3.3	3.2	3.2	+100	+100	275.18	253.13	42.4	39.8	6.49	6.36
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.5	-	+200	309.22	289.59	41.9	42.4	7.38	6.83
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.5	6.4	6.5	+100	-	429.32	391.40	39.1	38.0	10.98	10.30
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.8	2.9	3.3	- 100	- 500	414.28	406.07	40.3	41.1	10.28	9.88
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	-	-	327.10	332.71	41.3	42.6	7.92	7.81
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.5	5.6	5.5	- 100	-	309.29	313.13	39.2	40.3	7.89	7.77
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.2	2.3	2.1	- 100	+100	219.70	203.26	39.8	39.7	5.52	5.12

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in Primary Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery. Annual employment advances were also registered in Electrical Machinery (+200) and Lumber/Furniture (+100). For the twelve month period, the largest job decline was reported in Jewelry-Silverware (-700), while Transportation Equipment payrolls were down 200. Employment in Stone-Clay-Glass, Fabricated Metals and Instruments showed no change from a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly job gains of 100 each were posted in Apparel and Printing-Publishing. In contrast, payroll downturns of 100 each occurred in Chemical Products, Plastics Products and Leather Products during the May-June period. The remaining Nondurable Goods industries were unchanged from their May employment levels. On an annual comparison, payroll increases were recorded in Paper Products (+200), and Food-Beverage, Apparel and Leather Products (+100 each). Employment in Chemical Products fell by 500 compared to a year ago, while the remaining Nondurable Goods industries stayed at their June 1985 levels.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments rose 300 from May to June, primarily due to seasonal payroll expansion in Trade and Contract Construction. The current level of 311,600 also represents an increase of 1,600 jobs compared to the June 1985 figure of 310,000.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the most sizable monthly increase (+1,400) occurred in Wholesale and Retail Trade. At 95,700, this segment was also up 300 from its June 1985 employment level. Contract Construction payrolls advanced 600 for the month to 16,100, but this figure was 100 jobs below a year ago. Transportation and Public Utilities, at 13,900, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 23,600, reported a monthly gain of 100 workers each. On an annual basis, the former was down 300 while the latter segment showed no change. Total Government employment decreased by 200 monthly and 300 annually to a level of 57,300. The current Service employment total stood at 105,000, a decline of 1,700 from the May level. Within this category, a decline in private education more than offset gains in other seasonal Service areas such as amusement/recreation and hotels-motels. However, the June Service figure is up 2,000 compared to a year ago.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 1 cent to $7.91 in mid-June; this represents a gain of 35 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.2 of an hour to 40.7 hours, which was 0.3 of an hour more than the June 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in June amounted to $321.94, reflecting an increase of $1.99 from last month and $16.52 compared to the same month a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT DECLINES SEASONALLY IN JULY

Overall establishment employment in Rhode Island decreased by 6,700 jobs in July, mainly due to vacation-related plant closings in Manufacturing industries combined with seasonal declines in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 424,700 in July. Although this figure represents a decline of 6,700 from the June level of 431,400, it is 1,000 above the July 1985 total of 423,700.

MANUFACTURING

Reflecting decreases caused primarily by plants closing for vacations, total Manufacturing employment in Rhode Island dropped by 4,300 in July. The current level of 115,500 is also 1,700 less than the year ago figure of 117,200. In the Durable Goods category, the July employment total of 79,400 fell 2,900 from the prior month and was 500 below the figure reported a year ago. Payrolls in the Nondurable Goods producing industries decreased 1,400 in the June-July period to a level of 36,100, and were down 1,200 compared to the July 1985 total.

Within the Durable Goods category, the largest monthly job declines occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (-900), followed by the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (-600), Fabricated Metals (-400) and Electrical Machinery (-300). In addition, monthly employment reductions of 200 each were registered in Primary Metals and Transportation Equipment, while decreases of 100 each were posted in Stone-Clay-Glass, Nonelectrical Machinery and Instruments. Employment in Lumber/Furniture was un-

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DES SURVEYS SELECTED RHODE ISLAND MANUFACTURERS

Many Rhode Island employers were recently asked to participate in the 1986 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey. This program, administered by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, provides basic information on the occupational distribution of jobs in the State. The survey is conducted annually but focuses each year on only a selected segment or segments of the State's economy. In 1986 the OES survey concentrates on Rhode Island's manufacturing industries.

The data gleaned from the survey has many uses which include being a major component in developing projections of occupational needs. Current and projected occupational information is an important tool in determining training requirements and providing counseling for persons who are making career decisions.

The OES data also allows employers to compare their firm's occupational composition with their particular industry as a whole. Additionally, OES information can be helpful in market research targeted toward specific groups of workers and in developing company staffing strategies. All information provided by employers is confidential and is not published in such a manner as to be attributable to a specific employer.

DES greatly appreciates the cooperation shown by the many employers selected for this latest, as well as previous, surveys. Further information concerning the Occupational Employment Statistics program is available by writing to OES Research and Statistics, 24 Mason Street, Providence, R.I. 02903.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985
Total Placements	1,997	1,003	1,940
New Applications	3,354	2,586	4,257
New Openings Rec'd.	2,541	2,525	3,156

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	July 1986	June 1986	% Change June 1986
Initial Claims	10,827	11,295	- 4.1
No. of Payments	50,516	40,563	+ 24.5
Amt. of Payments	$ 6,121,916	$ 4,992,944	+ 22.6
Exhaustions	1,103	899	+ 22.7

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985
Initial Claims	3,450	3,460	3,359
No. of Payments	25,783	23,115	24,310
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,423,431	$ 3,021,452	$ 3,094,480

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985
Civilian Labor Force	504.3	510.4	502.8
Unemployment	20.4	18.6	28.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	3.6	5.7
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.5	3.7	5.0

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985
Civilian Labor Force	329.6	328.8	326.2
Unemployment	11.9	10.9	16.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.6	3.3	5.0

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985
Civilian Labor Force	165.5	165.3	166.0
Unemployment	7.3	7.3	9.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.4	4.4	5.4

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985
Civilian Labor Force	35,765	34,585	35,070
Unemployment	980	860	1,095
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.7	2.5	3.1

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
MAY 19-23, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	11,143	100.0
Men	5,798	52.0
Under 45	4,228	72.9
45 and over	1,570	27.1
Women	5,345	48.0
Under 45	3,775	70.6
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Industry Attachment		
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Clerical and Sales	2,572	23.2
Service	1,119	10.0
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	117	1.0
Processing	300	2.7
Machine Trades	1,303	11.7
Bench Work	1,404	12.6
Structural Work	1,403	12.6
Miscellaneous	1,186	10.6
INA	185	1.7

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM			
	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985		June 1986		July 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	424.7	431.4	423.7	-	6,700	+	1,000
MANUFACTURING	115.5	119.8	117.2	-	4,300	-	1,700
NONMANUFACTURING	309.2	311.6	306.5	-	2,400	+	2,700
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	16.4	16.1	16.4	+	300		-
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.2	13.9*	13.6	+	300	+	600
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	95.8	95.7	95.2	+	100	+	600
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.7	23.6	23.6	+	100	+	100
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	103.0	105.0	102.0	-	2,000	+	1,000
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.1	57.3	55.7	-	1,200	+	400

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985	June 1986	July 1985	July 1986	July 1985	July 1986	July 1985	July 1986	July 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	115.5	119.8	117.2	-4300	-1700	$317.99	$303.24	40.1	39.9	$7.93	$7.60
DURABLE GOODS	79.4	82.3	79.9	-2900	- 500	317.58	302.88	40.2	39.8	7.90	7.61
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	2.9	2.7	0	+ 200	379.89	343.62	40.5	41.3	9.38	8.32
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.6	1.7	1.7	- 100	- 100	404.50	381.07	40.9	40.8	9.89	9.34
PRIMARY METALS	5.8	6.0	5.7*	- 200	+ 100	388.94	372.59	42.6	42.1	9.13	8.85
FABRICATED METALS	9.3	9.7	9.4	- 400	- 100	291.13	277.80	40.1	39.8	7.26	6.98
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.6*	5.7*	5.4	- 100	+ 200	419.99	405.03	42.9	42.5	9.79	9.53
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.8	12.1	11.8	- 300	0	300.00	282.27	40.0	38.3	7.50	7.37
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.5	9.7	9.8	- 200	- 300	407.95	408.22	39.8	40.1	10.25	10.18
INSTRUMENTS	5.4*	5.5*	5.4*	- 100	0	322.98	306.16	42.0	42.7	7.69	7.17
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	21.8	22.7	22.7	- 900	- 900	248.61	239.90	39.4	39.2	6.31	6.12
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.7	6.3	5.3	- 600	+ 400	256.20	231.42	36.6	34.8	7.00	6.65
NONDURABLE GOODS	36.1	37.5	37.3	-1400	-1200	319.60	303.20	40.0	40.0	7.99	7.58
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.1	3.2	3.2	- 100	- 100	277.25	248.57	38.4	37.1	7.22	6.70
TEXTILES	10.0	10.6	10.4	- 600	- 400	288.67	279.05	40.6	40.5	7.11	6.89
APPAREL	3.1	3.3	3.2	- 200	- 100	272.00	246.77	41.4	38.8	6.57	6.36
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.6	0	+ 100	305.03	295.32	41.5	42.8	7.35	6.90
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.5	6.5	6.4	0	+ 100	429.52	402.62	38.8	38.9	11.07	10.35
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	3.2*	0	- 400	422.82	407.18	40.5	40.8	10.44	9.98
RUBBER PRODUCTS	.7	.7	.7	0	0	343.44	319.71	42.4	41.2	8.10	7.76
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.5	5.5	- 400	- 400	303.41	301.32	38.7	39.7	7.84	7.59
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.1	2.2	2.1	- 100	0	215.05	214.65	39.1	40.5	5.50	5.30

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changed from the preceding month. Compared to a year ago, the most sizable payroll increase (+400) was evident in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing industry. Also up from their year earlier employment levels were Lumber/Furniture and Nonelectrical Machinery (+200 each) and Primary Metals (+100). Annual job declines were recorded in Jewelry-Silverware (-900), Transportation Equipment (-300), Stone-Clay-Glass, and Fabricated Metals (-100 each). Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries was unchanged for the 12 month period.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, Textile payrolls dropped 600 from the previous month. In addition, employment in Plastics Products and Apparel fell by 400 and 200, respectively. Monthly job declines of 100 each were reported in Food-Beverage and Leather Products, while the remaining Nondurable Goods industries stayed at their June employment levels. On an annual comparison, payroll advances of 100 each occurred in Paper Products and Printing-Publishing. Contrary to this, annual job declines of 400 each were posted in Textiles, Chemical Products and Plastics Products, followed by decreases of 100 each in Food-Beverage and Apparel. Employment in Rubber Products and Leather Products showed no change compared to a year ago.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments fell by 2,400 in the June-July period, primarily as a result of education-related declines in Service and Government. While the current total of 309,200 is below the June figure, it is 2,700 greater than the July 1985 level of 306,500.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Service employment reflected the most substantial monthly decline (-2,000) mainly due to seasonal decreases in private education. Nevertheless, Service Jobs, at 103,000 were up 1,000 compared to the previous July. Total Government employment dropped 1,200 from its June level to 56,100; however, this figure represents 400 more jobs than a year ago. As the result of a monthly gain of 300, Contract Construction employment advanced to 16,400, but showed no change from the same month a year ago. Payrolls in Transportation and Public Utilities registered a monthly increase of 300, due mainly to the settlement of a labor dispute. At 14,200, this segment was 600 above the July 1985 level. Wholesale and Retail Trade, at 95,800, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 23,700, each recorded a monthly gain of 100 workers. Compared to a year ago, the former industry rose 600, while the latter was up 100.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 2 cents to $7.93 in July. This represents a 33 cent per hour gain compared to a year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.6 of an hour in July to 40.1 hours. However, this is 0.2 of an hour higher than in July 1985. Average weekly earnings for these workers amounted to $317.99 in July. Although this represents a decline of $3.95 from last month, it is $14.75 more than was reported a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 5,900 IN AUGUST TO 430,600

Rhode Island employment increased by 5,900 jobs in August, due primarily to employees in the manufacturing sector returning to work following plant vacation closings in July, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 430,600 in August. This represents a gain of 5,900 from the July level of 424,700 and is 4,500 jobs more than the August 1985 total of 426,100.

MANUFACTURING

Total manufacturing employment rose by 4,900 in the July-August period. In addition, the current figure of 120,400 is 600 greater than the August 1985 level of 119,800. In the Durable Goods category, the August employment total of 82,500 was up 3,100 from the July level and was 800 above the figure reported a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods sector advanced 1,800 from July to the current level of 37,900, but this was down 200 compared to the year earlier total.

Within the Durable Goods category, substantial monthly payroll gains were registered in Jewelry-Silverware (+1,000), the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (+600), and Fabricated Metals and Electrical Machinery (+400 each). In addition, monthly increases of 200 each occurred in Lumber/Furniture and Transportation Equipment, while upturns of 100 each were recorded in Stone-Clay-Glass, Primary Metals

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NATIONAL EMPLOY THE HANDICAPPED WEEK
OCTOBER 5 – 11, 1986

National Employ the Handicapped Week will be observed for the forty-second consecutive year during the period October 5 – 11 as America salutes the hiring records of employers and the achievements of workers with disabilities. PEOPLE AT WORK is what the American dream is all about. And people with disabilities are part of this dream. But some are excluded. On occasion people ignore the ABILITY and just see the disability.

Announcing the 42nd National Employ the Handicapped Week, John S. Renza, Director of the R.I. Department of Employment Security, commends the record of many Rhode Island employers who take a positive approach to hiring and retaining handicapped workers.

During Fiscal Year 1986 a total of 1,406 handicapped individuals sought employment through the R.I. Job Service system of local offices. Almost 40 percent of them – 560 – were placed in jobs. In the past 42 years the Job Service has accentuated the positive – that a worker's abilities are far more important than his or her limitations.

Employers wanting to hire qualified handicapped workers are encouraged to list their job openings with the Job Bank – 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265. A listing of all Job Service offices appears on Page 2 of this Bulletin.

JOB SERVICE

RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE OFFICES

BRISTOL COUNTY, 470 Metacom Ave. 245-9300
EAST PROVIDENCE, 877 Broadway 277-3546
NEWPORT COUNTY, 73 Valley Road
Middletown, ...847-3680
PAWTUCKET, 109 Main St. 722-7500
PROVIDENCE, 130 West Exchange St.
Employer Services 277-3573
Jewelry 277-3553
Manufacturing & Construction 277-3556
Professional & Clerical 277-3584
Temporary Help 277-3559
NO. KINGSTOWN, 7734 Post Road 294-9923
NO. PROVIDENCE, 1951 Smith St. 231-5293
WAKEFIELD, Washington County Gov't. Center
Tower Hill Road 789-9721
WARWICK, 50 Airport Road. 737-7550
WESTERLY, 57 Spruce Street. 596-2814
WEST WARWICK, 1330 Main St. 828-6134
WOONSOCKET, 217 Pond St. 762-9010

OTHER JOB SERVICE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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or . . . . . Enterprise 2265
TJTC Information 277-3726
TJTC Job Orders. 277-3588
CALL-A-TEEN . . . Call your local Job Service Office
Project STEADY. 277-6813

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	August 1986	July 1986	August 1985
Total Placements	3,095	1,997	3,057
New Applications	3,872	3,354	3,959
New Openings Rec'd.	3,960	2,541	5,415

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	August 1986	July 1986	% Change July 1986
Initial Claims	6,771	10,827	- 37.5
No. of Payments	41,793	50,516	- 17.3
Amt. of Payments	$ 5,121,678	$ 6,121,916	- 16.3
Exhaustions	834	1,103	- 24.4

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	August 1986	July 1986	August 1985
Initial Claims	3,131	3,450	3,273
No. of Payments	23,980	25,783	23,975
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,295,320	$ 3,423,431	$ 3,051,293

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1986	July 1986	Aug. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	508.4	504.3	500.6
Unemployment	17.0	20.4	22.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.3	4.0	4.5
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.3	3.5	4.6

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985
Civilian Labor Force	325.7	329.6	324.9
Unemployment	13.0	11.9	18.8
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	3.6	5.8

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985
Civilian Labor Force	162.9	165.5	164.8
Unemployment	8.3	7.3	10.6
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.1	4.4	6.4

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985
Civilian Labor Force	35,840	35,765	34,975
Unemployment	900	980	1,170
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.5	2.7	3.3

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
AUGUST 18-22, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	12,276	100.0
Men	5,673	46.2
Under 45	3,945	69.5
45 and over	1,728	30.5
Women	6,603	53.8
Under 45	4,256	64.5
45 and over	2,347	35.5
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	491	4.0
Manufacturing	5,856	47.7
Public Utilities	855	7.0
Wholesale and Retail	1,946	15.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	346	2.8
Service	2,128	17.3
All Other	654	5.3
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,582	12.9
Clerical and Sales	2,892	23.6
Service	1,255	10.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	91	0.7
Processing	382	3.1
Machine Trades	1,346	11.0
Bench Work	2,128	17.3
Structural Work	1,019	8.3
Miscellaneous	1,528	12.5
INA	53	0.4

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	August 1986	July 1986	August 1985	July 1986	August 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	430.6	424.7	426.1	+ 5,900	+ 4,500
MANUFACTURING	120.4	115.5	119.8	+ 4,900	+ 600
NONMANUFACTURING	310.2	309.2	306.3	+ 1,000	+ 3,900
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	16.7	16.4	16.4	+ 300	+ 300
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.3	14.2	13.6**	+ 100	+ 700
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	96.0	95.8	95.1	+ 200	+ 900
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.9	23.7	23.7	+ 200	+ 200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	103.3**	103.0	101.8	+ 300	+ 1,500
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.0	56.1	55.7	- 100	+ 300

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	August 1986	July 1986	August 1985	July 1986	August 1985	August 1986	August 1985	August 1986	August 1985	August 1986	August 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	120.4	115.5	119.8	+4900	+600	$ 320.39	$ 301.25	40.3	39.9	$7.95	$7.55
DURABLE GOODS	82.5	79.4	81.7	+3100	+800	320.39	297.86	40.3	39.4	7.95	7.56
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.1	2.9	2.8	+ 200	+300	377.74	349.86	40.4	41.6	9.35	8.41
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.6	1.8	+ 100	- 100	403.51	378.62	40.8	40.8	9.89	9.28
PRIMARY METALS	5.9	5.8	5.8	+ 100	+100	394.74	376.66	43.0	42.9	9.18	8.78
FABRICATED METALS	9.7	9.3	9.6	+ 400	+100	301.90	277.20	40.2	40.0	7.51	6.93
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.6*	5.6*	5.5	-	+100	427.28	399.95	43.6	42.1	9.80	9.50
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	11.8	12.0	+ 400	+200	300.40	281.56	40.0	38.1	7.51	7.39
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.5	9.8	+ 200	- 100	415.67	407.55	40.2	39.8	10.34	10.24
INSTRUMENTS	5.5*	5.4*	5.5*	+ 100	-	323.89	291.60	41.9	40.0	7.73	7.29
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.8	21.8	23.1	+1000	- 300	251.93	232.59	39.8	38.7	6.33	6.01
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.3	5.7	5.8	+ 600	+500	248.09	233.93	35.8	34.1	6.93	6.86
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.9	36.1	38.1	+1800	- 200	319.19	301.60	40.2	40.0	7.94	7.54
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.3	3.1	3.3	+ 200	-	272.88	247.16	37.9	37.0	7.20	6.68
TEXTILES	10.7	10.0	10.7	+ 700	-	292.54	281.80	40.8	40.9	7.17	6.89
APPAREL	3.3	3.1	3.4	+ 200	- 100	278.57	258.05	42.4	39.7	6.57	6.50
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.8	2.7	2.6	+ 100	+200	304.38	274.05	41.3	40.6	7.37	6.75
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.5	6.5	6.4	-	+100	426.41	403.39	38.8	38.9	10.99	10.37
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	3.2*	-	- 400	425.57	409.82	40.3	40.9	10.56	10.02
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	-	-	335.74	317.52	41.5	40.5	8.09	7.84
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.5	5.1	5.5	+ 400	-	318.40	323.29	39.9	41.5	7.98	7.79
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.1	2.3	+ 200	-	218.44	209.75	38.8	39.5	5.63	5.31

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and Instruments. Employment in Nonelectrical Machinery showed no change from July to August. Compared to a year ago, the largest job gain in Durable Goods was posted in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing industry (+500). Annual employment increases were also reported in Lumber/Furniture (+300), Electrical Machinery (+200) and Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery (+100 each). Payroll declines for the 12 month period were evident in Jewelry-Silverware (-300), followed by Stone-Clay-Glass and Transportation Equipment (-100 each). Employment in Instruments remained unchanged compared to a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, Textile employment reflected the most sizable monthly increase (+700), while payrolls in Plastic Products expanded by 400 workers. Also showing monthly advances were Food-Beverage, Apparel and Leather Products (+200 each), followed by an increase of 100 in Paper Products. The remaining Nondurable Goods industries were unchanged from their July employment levels. On an annual comparison, payroll expansion in Paper Products (+200) and Printing-Publishing (+100) was offset by decreases in Chemical Products (-400) and Apparel (-100). Employment levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change from August 1985.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments rose by 1,000 during the July-August period, due mainly to moderate gains throughout most of this sector. The current Nonmanufacturing total of 310,200 reflects a sizable increase of 3,900 jobs from the August 1985 level of 306,300.

Within this sector, Contract Construction, at 16,700, and Service, at 103,300, posted the most substantial monthly job gains, as each segment was up 300 for August. Compared to a year ago, the former added 300 workers while the latter segment expanded by 1,500. Payrolls in Wholesale and Retail Trade recorded a monthly upturn of 200, rising to 96,000, which represents an annual increase of 900 jobs. Similarly, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate employment, at 23,900, was up 200 on both a monthly and an annual basis. Although overall Government employment fell by 100 in August to 56,000, it remained 300 above the year ago total. With a monthly job gain of 100, Transportation and Public Utilities payrolls rose to 14,300, representing an increase of 700 compared to August 1985.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 2 cents to $7.95 in mid-August; this represents a gain of 40 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.2 of an hour in August to 40.3 hours, which was 0.4 of an hour more than the August 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in August amounted to $320.39, representing an increase of $2.40 from last month and a gain of $19.14 from a year ago.

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